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# Seeds! Seeds!

The prices paid for grain here are evidence enough that we are in the grain business but we wish to say that we intend making the seed business an important part of it. We have pedigreed seed to offer of a kinds.

## Southern Grown Millet and Macaroni Wheat.

which yields 40 per acre. To those who have not learned that the best seed is the cheapest. We will say that we have gathered seed from the best and cleanest farmers in the county and which we offer twice cleaned, at a small advance over market price. Also

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**H Y D E**

**HANNAFORD, N. DAK.**

### Horses for Sale;

12 mares 4 and 5 years old, weight from 1400 to 1900 lbs. 4 drivers 6 and 7 years old weight about 1100 lbs. each.  
Ed. GUMST.  
Section 26, Twp. 145, Rg. 60. 11

### Auction Sale.

I will sell at public auction at my residence in Cooperstown, N. D., at 2 p. m., on Saturday,

**MARCH 28, 1903,**

the following personal property, to wit:  
1 Singer sewing machine  
2 bedroom suites, 1 dining room table,  
1 set dining room chairs, 4 kitchen chairs, 1 sideboard,  
1 book case, 2 center tables,  
1 double couch, 2 heating stoves,  
1 gasoline stove,  
4 rocking chairs,  
50 yards wool carpet,  
curtains and rings,  
Dishes and cooking utensils.

Terms: All sums of \$5 and under cash, over that amount bankable paper payable Oct. 1, 1903.

JOE ISRAEL, Proprietor.

J. A. H. WINKLER, Auctioneer.

### AUCTION SALE.

Having rented my farm I will sell my horses, cattle, farm machinery, and household goods at public auction March 31st 1903.

35 Head of Horses.  
10 Head of Cattle.  
6 Wagons.  
4 Grain tanks.  
2 Buggies.  
4 McCormick binders.  
1 Deering harvester.  
2 Mowing Machines.  
1 Horse rake.  
1 3 Disc plow.  
3 Gang plows.  
2 Disc harrows.  
2 Smoothing harrows.  
2 Springtooth harrows.  
3 Fuller Lee disc drills.  
1 Packer.  
1 Iron roller.  
1 Blacksmith outfit.  
10 Set heavy harness.  
2 Set driving harness.  
1 St. Paul lignite range.  
2 Extension tables.  
2 Bed room suites.  
1 Sewing machine.  
12 Chairs.  
20 Century washing machines.  
40 Chickens and other articles too numerous to mention.

Terms: All sums under \$10 cash, over that amount on approved notes due Nov. 1 1903, interest at 8 per cent. Sale to commence at 10:00 a. m. Free lunch.

W. H. MARKS, JACK N. BROWN.  
Auct. Prop.

### A SWORD OF HONOR.

It Was the Means of Bringing Marshal Ney to Death.

A saber of honor brought Marshal Ney to dishonor and death. When Napoleon entered Cairo on the 22d of July, 1798, he was presented with three swords of honor richly inlaid with precious stones. He brought them back to Europe, and in 1802 he gave one to Ney and another to Murat, keeping the third for himself. Ney received his at an imperial reception. The sword passed from one to another of those present, among whom was a young subaltern of the Auvergne regiment. When Napoleon escaped from Elbe, Ney left the king and took sides with his former chief. After the allies entered Paris, Ney made preparations to get out of the country, but his wife and a friend persuaded him that there was really no danger, and he decided to remain in France. Then came the order for his arrest. He fled to a castle in the possession of some friends and succeeded in reaching it without his presence being known. One day, feeling tired, he threw himself on a couch, first taking off his oriental sword, which he always wore out of affection for the emperor. Hearing voices, he sprang up and hurriedly left the room, forgetting his sword. A minute later a party of women and men entered the room, one of them being the young subaltern of the Auvergne regiment, now a colonel. He at once recognized the sword and, calling in some gendarmes, proceeded to search the premises. Finding that he was discovered, Ney gave himself up quietly. On Dec. 7, 1815, the marshal, whose sobriquet was the Brave of the Brave, the hero of a hundred battles, was shot. Scarcely two months after the owner of the second sword, Murat, had met his fate in the same way.

An Alliterative Poem on Figs.  
One of the book collectors of Philadelphia has in his library a volume of Latin jokes that was printed in Germany in 1703, says the Philadelphia Record. The name of this volume is "Nugæ Venales," and it contains a poem 300 lines long wherein every word—every single word—begins with the letter "p."  
Even the title page of the poem contains only "p's." It reads:  
"Pugna Porcorum, per Publium Porcum, Poetam" ("The Battle of the Pigs," by Publius Porcus).  
Here are two lines of the poem that show how strange alliteration, so heavily laid on, appears:  
Perlege porcorum pulcherrima proella, potior;  
Potando poteris placidam proferre poesin.  
Almost incredible is the patience that must have been required to compose this work of 1,500 words, every one of which begins with a "p."

At the Masked Ball.  
Male Dancer—I know who you are, my fair partner.  
Female Ditto—Who am I then, pray?  
Male Ditto—Oh, I am quite positive, I recognize you by those lovely white, pearly teeth.  
Female Ditto—Why, I only got them this morning. Ha, ha!—From the German.

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### Where Iron Is Sacred.

Among the Barabongs, a great African people, iron is a sacred object. They are expert workers in metal, which they still smelt from its native ore by the most primitive methods ever devised by man. This art was to them in former days a source of wealth, influence and power, and the legend is that when people did not know the value of the stones found in their brooks a "wise man" saw a vision. The spirit of his chief stood beside him and said, "Gather stones and burn them to make spears." The sage thought it was a dream and that the chief was hungry, so he sacrificed an ox. But the vision returned, and the chief looked sorrowful. He stood a long time and at last said:

"My son, why do you not obey your father? Go to the river, gather stone and make a hot fire. After that you will see iron with your eyes."

The sage was greatly frightened and feared some calamity, but dared not refuse. When he had made a hot fire, iron came out of it, and then he knew the chief had taken pity on his children. He told his son the secret before he died, but he was a vain coxcomb and, wishing to show his own wisdom, made iron in the presence of strangers, and so the secret of the art was lost to his tribe, but they have always continued to regard iron as sacred above all other metals.

### Letter From Warm Climate.

"Speaking of pulpit jokes," a churchgoer remarked, "I have yet to hear a better one than that on a reverend gentleman of a small congregation in the city. He is a fine preacher, a man along in years, loved and revered by his flock. His pulpit utterances never verge upon levity of any sort. He abhors a resort to humor in church."

"One Sunday evening he was speaking to his congregation about Mrs. Jones, one of the prominent women of his church, who had gone south for her health. In his previous remarks he had, with feeling, referred to Mrs. Smith, who had recently left this world for a better one.

"He startled his hearers by saying: 'I have just received a letter from Mrs. Smith. She says it is very warm where she is now.'

"Shocked at the audible titter in the staid congregation, the good man paused, looked blank and then gasped, 'I meant from Mrs. Jones,' and hastily announced the hymn."—New York Telegram.

### Fraud of the Cure.

William R. Travers, the New York city broker, on one occasion desired to go to an address in suburban Brooklyn, but, being unacquainted with the locality, accosted a stranger and asked directions. It so happened that the stranger stuttered and stammered quite as badly as Travers, who after the man had made two or three ineffectual attempts to answer grew angry under the impression he was being mocked and hotly inquired:

"How-d-d-dare you t-t-try to m-m-mock me?"

"Ex-ex-excuse m-me!" exclaimed the stranger. "I have an im-im-impediment in m-my s-s-speech."

"Oh, I s-s-s-ee!" stammered Travers, the look of anger giving way to a look of sympathetic concern. "W-w-why d-d-don't you g-g-go s-s-see D-d-doctor S-s-smith? He e-c-cured m-me."—Philadelphia Times.

### First Love.

People who marry while very young are apt to find out when it is too late that they have made the greatest mistake in their lives and that, though it may seem very sweet to marry "the first and only love," this same "first love" is the very last person in the world that they ought to have married.

Some, indeed, may advise couples to marry before they are out of their teens and settle down before the distractions of the world can attempt to shake their allegiance to each other, but this settling down too often proves to be a mere temporary phase and is followed by an unsettled condition that lasts for the rest of their unhappy lives. Second thoughts are often best in love.

### Corded Trunks.

Trunks corded instead of strapped are thought by some theatrical managers to be fatal to the interests of their companies. "I can't have any hangman's ropes among my people," exclaimed one well known farce comedy manager on noticing cords upon one of the trunks belonging to a lady he had just brought at large expense from east to west. And such a horror had he of the "hoodoo" effect upon his company, were a woman addicted to such methods to remain a member of it, that he quietly paid the astonished newcomer two weeks' salary, adding her fare back to New York by way of compensation for discharging her.

### Idiomatic Blunder.

"Mr. Henpeque, let me introduce you to the Count de Dippee."  
"Ah, eet ze honor to meet a musician. I hear, sar, zat you an' your family play ze music."  
"Why, I don't know the first thing about music."  
"Why, I hear eet all around zat you 'plays second fiddle' to your wife!"—Baltimore Herald.

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W. S. Munn returned to Cooperstown Saturday after an absence of over two months. He was accompanied by his brother, J. K. Eunn, who will rusticate around these diggings for a while.

### Farm for Rent.

North half of section 18, town 145, range 60.

O. F. FESKE,  
Cooperstown, N. D.

### Taken Up.

One brown mare, 3 years old, weight 1000 lbs. Owner prove property and pay charges and take it away.

JOE BAILEY.

Sec. 10-145-61.

### Estrayed.

From my place about Mar. 1st, 1903, one black mare two years old. If seen or taken up please notify,

JOHN HOGENSON,  
Ronnness, N. D.

### Your Neighbors Are

### Telling You:

That the most satisfactory flour they ever used for bread and general baking is

### Cassons Flour

made from Griggs county wheat, at the Cooperstown Mill. 12

### Farm for Sale or Rent.

I will rent or sell my farm consisting of 480 acres, four miles northwest of Hannaford. Parties desiring to purchase or rent, call on or address,

DANIEL SINCLAIR,  
Hannaford, N. D.

### Recent Comment on Lucian Edgar Follansbee.

The second number of the lecture course was given at the opera house and a large and appreciative audience greeted the noted lecturer, L. E. Follansbee. "Genius and Gumption" was the subject chosen and it was very ably handled by the speaker. Mr. Follansbee spoke rapidly and in a clear and distinct voice and held the closest attention of his auditors. His lecture was both entertaining and instructive, and he demonstrated the fact that a man must have "gumption" to back up his "genius" to be successful in life.—West Branch, Iowa, Times. Cooperstown Oper House, Monday, March 30.

### SPECIAL PROGRAM.

#### Part One.

Germaine in a series of Mysterious Surprises.

#### Imagination.

Magical Transportation.

Vice Versa.

Much Ado About Nothing.

The Growth of the Mango-tree.

#### Part Two.

"Of all the things I have yet seen, this seems to me most strange."—Shakespeare.

#### Sleapathy, Spiritism, Occultism

(a) Marvelous Demonstration of Thought Transference.

(b) "A Tilt with the Spooks," introducing Germaine's original "Cabinet of the Phantoms."

(c) "The Mystery of Malabar," a weird and phantastic oriental illusion in which the dematerialization of a human form is shown, as recounted to be performed by the adepts of India.

#### Part Three.

Germaine, in a number of Humorous Magical Oddities.

The Ariel Fishpond.

A Pupil in Magic.

The Egyptian Dial.

A Queer Hat.

Greetings of the Nations.

Given by Germaine and his talented company, at the Opera House, Tuesday, March 31.

### AUCTION SALE.

I will sell at my farm near Sec. 15, Twp. 145, Rg. 61, on Monday, March 30th, at 10 o'clock a. m., the following property:

1 Bay mare, 11 yrs. old, weight 1500.

1 Grey mare 10 " " " 1400.

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1 Rushford lumber wagon.

1 Truck wagon, 2 hay rakes.

2 Deering binders, 1 McCormick mower.

1 John Deer Gang plow.

1 24 teeth harrow, wooden frame.

1 Canton disc, 1 Dowagiac drill.

4 Set harness, 1 top buggy.

1 4 horse iron drag, household furniture.

Terms: All sums under \$5.00 cash, over that amount on approved notes payable Nov. 1st, 1903, interest 8 per cent. Free lunch.

T. E. WARNER, MATT. THEIL,  
Auctioneer. Owner.

### LOCALS.

Go to FIRST NATIONAL BANK for your Farm Loans.

The One Price Dept. Store gives prompt attention to phone orders.

J. W. Murphy telephones to have his COURIER sent to Park River where he has been sent to look after the J. I. Case business at that place.

Oliver Stevens has accepted a position with Evenson & Allen and will look after the books and make himself generally useful around the store.

B. C. Phipps dropped in and said hello last Friday. Bert was waiting for a train to get to M. Henry. He was just returning from Valley City.

R. C. Coop on Monday purchased from James Caham, of Steele county, three quarter sections of fine farm land, the price paid being \$23 per acre.

D. Fouts has purchased the buildings next door to Hanson's shoe shop on Burrell avenue and will move his cigar factory down town. This is a good location.

F. J. Stone returned home Tuesday from LaMoure where he had been to see his brother B. N. Stone who is sick. Mr. Stone says B. N. is improving slowly.

George A. Houghton returned from Houghton Lake, Mich., last Thursday and is anxious to get to work again. George had a nice time visiting this winter.

A boy baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Baker last Sunday morning early, Dr. Wells being in attendance. Fred is the happiest papa there is in the county.

E. S. Hamilton is building a large addition to his farm house east of town and will make it a very comfortable residence. E. A. Phipps is doing the carpenter work.

More snow has fallen the past week than all the rest of the winter put together. This is usually considered to be good for this country insuring plenty of moisture to put in the crops.

Mr. and Mrs. Lud Hogle are rejoicing over the birth of a little girl at their home last Sunday night. Dr. Kerr was in attendance and reports mother and daughter getting along nicely.

J. F. VanVorhis was down Monday and had Bob Moffatt make him a nice boat to put on Willow Lake. Finn gave us an invitation to go up and visit him and we are going to do so some day.

The barber shops closed up last Sunday as required by the new law recently signed by the governor. The boys made it a point to get shaved on Saturday and very few tried the shop door Sunday.

Mable township elected the following officers: Chairman, C. J. Erlanson; supervisors, Otto Thorsgard, Geo. H. Hartman; clerk, J. S. Byington; Treasurer, Robert Bailey; Assessor, B. N. Howden; Justice, Harry Ames.

### More Riots.

Disturbances of strikers are not nearly as grave as an individual disorder of the system. Overwork, loss of sleep, nervous tension will be followed by utter collapse, unless a reliable remedy is immediately employed. There's nothing so efficient to cure disorders of the Liver or Kidneys as Electric Bitters. It's a wonderful tonic, and effective nerve and the greatest all around medicine for run down systems. It dispels Nervousness, Rheumatism and Neuralgia and expels Malaria germs. Only 50c, and satisfaction guaranteed by H. H. Bateman, druggist.

Mrs. Gust Olson entertained a number of her lady friends at her home Tuesday afternoon in honor of Mrs. John O. Ole, who is going to leave for Norway next Monday. The ladies spent a very pleasant afternoon with Mrs. Olson and were royally entertained.

Alliance (O.) Daily Leader: The Germaine Company gave a very interesting performance at Craven's Opera House last evening. Mr. Germaine completely mystified the audience with his superb feats of magic, which were of the highest order—the best ever seen here. Opera House, Tuesday, March 31.

Wilson M. Raitt, wife and son, of Walton, N. Y., arrived in Cooperstown last Saturday. Mr. Raitt is very favorably impressed with North Dakota and intends to invest in a farm if he can get one that suits him. Mr. Raitt is a pleasing gentleman to meet and we hope that he and his family will locate in Griggs county.

The following officers were elected in Clearfield township: Jno. Evers, Chairman; Thos. Robertson, Wm. Steffen; Wm. Robertson, Clerk; August Evers, Treasurer; Peter Gorthy, Constable; Wm. Howden, Assessor. The fees for officers were reduced to \$2.00 per day and the place of holding annual township meeting changed to Clearfield.