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Don't let a \$10.00 calf eat up \$50.00 to \$60.00 worth of cream. The cream from the average cow will sell for \$2.00 to \$2.50 a year and just as good calves can be raised on sweet separator skimmed milk as with the cow. Don't waste time, labor and cream by trying to skim your milk by hand. It is like trying to separate for a separator. Save your milk with a U. S. Separator and watch your calves and money. The U. S. Separator is the cleanest, cleans the easiest, wears the longest, is the most profitable, etc., etc.

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For Western customers, we transfer our separators from Chicago, La Crosse, Minneapolis, Sioux City and Omaha. Address all letters to Bellows Falls, Vt.

Vermont Farm Machine Co., Bellows Falls, Vt.

Notice to Local Contractors.

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the County Auditor for the laying of a concrete sidewalk 6 feet wide from the courthouse steps to the gate and 8 feet wide along the north side of the courthouse block, said bids must be marked "bids for sidewalks" and be filed not later than the 6th day of July A. D., 1903, at 2 o'clock p. m.

Dated at Cooperstown this 25th day of May A. D. 1903.

P. A. MELGARD,
County Auditor.

Taken Up.

Came to my place, 10 1/2 miles southwest of Hannaford, N. D., about three weeks ago, one red mooley heifer, about 2 years old. Owner can have same by proving property and paying for this notice.

6-18-3t CHRIST T. SEBEE.

YOU CAN FIT YOURSELF
with
DR. C. G. MUGG'S
3000 GLASSES!
Instructions Free
AGENTS WANTED WRITE TO JAMESTOWN, N. D.

Brutally Tortured.

A case came to light that for persistent and unmerciful torture has perhaps never been equalled. Joe Golchick of Colusa, Calif., writes: "For 15 years I endured insufferable pain from Rheumatism and nothing relieved me though I tried everything known. I came across Electric Bitters and it's the greatest medicine on earth for that trouble. A few bottles of it completely relieved and cured me." Just as good for Liver and Kidney troubles and general debility. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by H. H. Bateman druggist.

For Sale.

An A. No. 1 threshing outfit, comprised of a Garr Scott 2 1/2 horse engine never a better bought to Dakota, a 36 inch Avery separator, a Poston wind stacker, a perfection weigher and self feeder. There is nothing better to go into a field of grain with. They just about run with no expense. Also a good big boarding car, a first class sleeping car, water tanks, pumps and hose pipes. All new and everything in good order. Will sell cheap and give long time. Will find you threshing to do in payment. Age and sickness sole reason for selling. Apply to JAMES A. DAY, Sec. 26-145-57, Riverside Twp., 7 miles west of Hope.

The Nurse.

The London Hospital complains that the word "nurse" means too many different things, from the board school girl of fourteen, who gets 2 shillings a week for minding the baby, to the highly skilled nurse who follows the army doctor to the very battlefield.

His Worst Experience.
"Hex you ever been kicked by a mule?"
"No, thank de Lawd, I never hex experienced nuthin' wuss dan a house fallin' on me!"—Atlanta Constitution.

Things more along so rapidly nowadays that people who say "It can't be done" are always being interrupted by somebody doing it.—Saxby's Magazine.

Bulgarian Wedding Customs.
A curious wedding custom which exists in Bulgaria is the shaving of the bridegroom on the wedding day.

While the barber is engaged upon his face a dancing crowd of boys and girls surround the bridegroom. When his hair has been cut, the pieces are carefully collected by some of the girls, to be preserved in one of the bride's chests.

After the barber has finished his work he receives a small white linen cloth as a present, and each person gives him a trifling sum of money. Then the bridegroom kisses the hand of each girl, washes his face and dons his wedding dress, which must be first accurately weighed three times by a lad.

These strange customs are said to date back to pre-Christian days, but they are still strictly observed, especially in country districts.

Forty Bibles a Minute.
The Bible publications of the Oxford University Press have been issued for 900 years and can be published in 150 languages and dialects. Orders for 100,000 Bibles are quite common. An order for half a million copies can, according to the Carlton Magazine, be readily filled. On an average from thirty to forty Bibles are furnished every minute. There are 110 different editions of the Oxford Bibles in English, varying from the magnificent folio edition for pulpit use to the "brilliant" Bible, the smallest edition of the Scriptures in the world. The largest folio Bible printed in Oxford measures 19 by 12 inches, and no erratum has as yet been found in it. The "Brilliant Text Bible" measures 3 1/2 by 2 1/2 inches and is three-fourths of an inch thick.

Stockings.
How many readers are familiar with the history and origin of the most common articles they daily use? We eat, drink, wear without thinking whence or wherefore. Stockings were known among the Romans more than 1,800 years ago, as is proved by paintings found in the ruins of Pompeii. They were considered more ornamental than useful. In the colder climate of northern Europe they became a necessity, and the manufacture of them became a recognized employment in the twelfth century, when they were fashioned chiefly of cloth. In the reign of Edward II, they assumed a resemblance to those now worn. At the courts of Spain and Italy they were fashioned of silk and were made enormously large.

Got His Numbers Right.
A certain lawyer, who is now a very able judge, was, when he first came to the bar, a very blundering speaker, says Youth. On one occasion, when he was trying a case of replevin, involving a right of property to a lot of hogs, he said, "Gentlemen of the jury, there were just twenty-four hogs in that drove—just twenty-four, gentlemen—exactly twice as many as are in that jury box!" The effect can be imagined.

Notice of Mortgage Sale by Advertisement.

Notice is hereby given, that certain premises, situated in the County of Griggs, State of North Dakota, to-wit: The premises owned by Theodore G. Thompson and Adolph Thompson, both single men, mortgaged to the American Freehold Land Mortgage Co., of London, Limited, by deed of mortgage dated the 1st day of February A. D. 1902, and one and filed for record in the office of the Register of Deeds of the County of Griggs and State of North Dakota, on the 24th day of February A. D. 1902, at 2:10 p. m., and recorded in Book 8 of Mortgages, pages 212-213, will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises in such Mortgage and hereinafter described, at the front door of the Court House in the Village of Cooperstown, in the County of Griggs and State of North Dakota, at the hour of two o'clock P. M., on Saturday the 1st day of August, 1903, to satisfy the amount due upon said Mortgage on the day of sale.

The premises described in said Mortgage and which will be sold to satisfy the same, are those certain premises situated in the County of Griggs and State of North Dakota, and described as follows, to-wit: The west half (1/2) of section fifteen (15), township one hundred and forty-eight (148), range fifty-nine (59), containing three hundred and twenty (320) acres of land, more or less, according to the government survey thereof.

There will be due on such mortgage at the date of sale the sum of sixteen hundred eighty and 1/10 (\$1,680.10) dollars.

Dated at Fargo North Dakota, this 22nd day of June, 1903.

The American Freehold Land Mortgage Co., of London, Limited,
Mortgagee.

Jno. D. Farrand,
Attorney for Mortgagee,
Fargo, North Dakota.

Citation Hearing Petition for Appointment of Administrator.

State of North Dakota,
County of Griggs,
In County Court, before Hon. Will H. Carlston, Judge.

In the matter of the estate of Syver Johnson deceased.

Alfred Johnson, Petitioner
vs.
Karl Johnson, Respondent
Simon Johnson, Respondent
John Johnson, Respondent
Lena Johnson, Respondent.

The State of North Dakota, to the above named Respondents and all persons interested in the estate of Syver Johnson, deceased: You and each of you are hereby notified that Alfred Johnson, the petitioner herein, has filed in this Court, his petition, praying that letters of administration upon the estate of Syver Johnson, late of the Town of Pilot Mound in the County of Griggs and State of North Dakota, deceased, be granted to S. E. Rustin and that the said petition be heard and duly considered by this Court on Monday the 30th day of July A. D. 1903 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day at the court rooms of this Court in the County Court House in the Town of Cooperstown, County of Griggs and State of North Dakota, and you are hereby cited to be and appear before this Court at said time and place, and answer the petition, and show cause if any there be, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted.

By the Court: WILL H. CARLSTON,
Judge of the County Court.

Dated at Cooperstown, North Dakota, this 28th day of June, 1903.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE STATE BANK OF COOPERSTOWN.

At Cooperstown, in the State of North Dakota, at the close of business June 30, 1903.

RESOURCES.		
Loans and discounts	89249 03	
Overdrafts secured and unsecured		
Warrants, stock, tax certificates, claims, etc.	381 00	
Furniture and fixtures	1125 00	
Other real estate	1272 45	
Due from other banks	5186 48	
Checks and other cash		
Items	2908 40	
Cash	5885 98	12280 86
Total	77839 61	
LIABILITIES.		
Capital stock paid in	625,000 00	
Surplus	2500 00	
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	147 83	
Individual deposits, subject to check	27879 80	
Demand certificates of deposit	1533 45	
Time certificates of deposit	15386 70	47021 01
Total	77839 64	

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA,
County of Griggs,
I, A. Garborg, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

A. GARBORG, Cashier
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30th day of June, 1903.

SEVAL FRISWOLD,
Notary Public.
My notary commission expires Feb. 7, 1905.

Correct, Attest:
ANDREW H. BERG,
DAVID BARLETT,
Directors.

ABSTRACT OF STATEMENT.

For the Year Ending December 31, 1902.

Of the condition and affairs of the Ins. Co. of North America of Philadelphia, organized under the laws of the State of Pennsylvania, made to the Commissioner of Insurance of the State of North Dakota, in pursuance of the laws of said state.

President, Charles H. Felt.
Vice President, Eugene L. Ellison.
Secretary, Greville E. Fryer.
Principal Office, Philadelphia, Pa.
Attorney for service in the State of North Dakota.

Name: Commissioner of Insurance.
Local Office, Bismarck, N. D.
Incorporated April 14th 1874.
Commenced business 1872.

Capital.		
Amount of capital stock paid up in full	\$5,000,000 00	
Assets.		
Value of Real Estate owned by the Company	\$ 726,500 00	
Loans on Bonds and Mortgages	1,130,997 29	
United States Stocks and Bonds	497,000 00	
Railroad Bonds and Stocks	5,428,439 32	
State, City, County and other Bonds and Stocks		
Bank Stocks		
Loans on Collateral Security	825,800 00	
Cash on hand and in bank	1,157,419 94	
Interest due and accrued	7,897 30	
Premiums in course of collection and transmission	1,080,482 55	
Losses payable, not yet paid	205 00	
Losses taken for		
All other sums due the Company	4,854 43	
Total assets (including in excess of bonds and stocks over book value)	308,810 08	
Total assets	\$10,702,583 61	
Unadmitted assets	38,400 11	
Total assets	\$10,664,183 50	
Liabilities.		
Gross claims for losses adjusted and unpaid	\$118,609 27	
Gross claims for losses upon which no action has been taken	658,261 70	
Losses reserved by the Company	49,718 03	
Total gross amount of claims for losses	\$826,589 00	
Deduct reinsurance and salvage claims thereon	88,649 00	
Net amount of unpaid losses	\$ 738,000 00	
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks	4,863,552 10	
Due for unpaid dividends	60 00	

Due for commissions and brokerage	61,939 39
All other liabilities	24,272 12
Total liabilities	\$87,211 51
Receipts.	
Premiums received during the year in cash	\$4,728,954 27
Interest and dividends received during the year	228,550 25
Rents received during the year	24,844 44
Amount received from all other sources	\$11,821 21
Total receipts	\$4,834,170 17
Disbursements.	
Losses paid during the year	\$8,848,372 58
Dividends paid during the year	228,990 00
Paid for commissions and brokerage	1,312,434 94
Paid for salaries, fees and other charges	994,213 24
Paid for interest	158,275 00
Amount of other disbursements	275,645 54
Total disbursements	\$11,448,024 26

North Dakota Business.

Total risks taken during the year	720,968 00
Total premiums received during the year	30,560 73
Total losses incurred during the year	23,774 48
Total amount of losses paid during the year	18,178 05

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA,
OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE.
I, Ferd Leutz, Commissioner of Insurance of the State of North Dakota, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true abstract of the original statement now on file in this office. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of this office at Bismarck, this 11th day of May, A. D. 1903.

Ferd Leutz,
Commissioner of Insurance.

W. C. GILBREATH,
Deputy.

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ABSTRACT OF STATEMENT.

For the Year Ending December 31, 1902.

Of the condition and affairs of the Niagara Fire Insurance Company of New York, organized under the laws of the State of New York, made to the Commissioner of Insurance of the State of North Dakota, in pursuance of the laws of said state.

President, Harold Herrick.
Vice-President, George C. Howe.
Secretary, Geo. W. Dewey.
Principal Office: 46-48 Cedar Street, New York City.

Name: Commissioner of Insurance.
Local Office, Bismarck, N. D.
Incorporated July 1, 1854.
Commenced business August 7, 1854.

Capital.		
Amount of capital stock paid up in full	\$500,000 00	
Assets.		
Loans on bonds and mortgages	\$ 944,000 00	
Loans on stocks and bonds	1,283,850 00	
Railroad bonds and stocks	1,027,950 00	
Bank Stocks	96,350 00	
Cash on hand and in bank	189,467 04	
Interest due and accrued	10,225 50	
Premiums in course of collection and transmission	419,468 87	
Total assets	\$3,877,735 51	
Liabilities.		
Gross claims for losses adjusted and unpaid	78,351 08	
Gross claims for losses upon which no action has been taken	118,404 40	
Losses reserved by the Company	20,842 52	
Total gross amount of claims for losses	\$217,598 00	
Deduct reinsurance and salvage claims thereon	60,636 45	
Net amount of unpaid losses	156,961 55	
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks	1,780,721 09	
Due for commissions and brokerage	85,907 22	
Total liabilities	\$2,023,616 86	
Receipts.		
Premiums received during the year in cash	\$2,348,028 91	
Interest and dividends received during the year	105,309 11	
Total receipts	\$2,453,338 02	
Disbursements.		
Losses paid during the year	\$ 1,177,833 37	
Dividends paid during the year	70,500 00	
Paid for commissions and brokerage	497,000 00	
Paid for salaries, fees and other charges	169,233 21	
Paid for interest	57,742 65	
Amount of other disbursements	152,761 04	
Total disbursements	\$2,125,170 27	

North Dakota Business.

Total risks taken during the year	\$ 530,048 00
Total premiums received during the year	5,373 92
Total losses incurred during the year	2,529 49
Total amount of losses paid during the year	2,531 93

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OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE.
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Commissioner of Insurance.

W. C. GILBREATH,
Deputy.

A HOT TIME.
Campbell Bros. Big Elephant VENUS
On the War Path.

Harry R. Moore, the big, jolly, press agent for Campbell Bros. shows, which are to exhibit in Fairbury, Saturday, April 25, told a reporter the following really truly honest, elephant story: "In my past 30 years of circus and theatrical experience in the land of the free," he commenced, "I have seen many very funny, as well as some rather startling occurrences. The affair which left perhaps the most vivid impression on my mind happened while the Campbell circus was showing in Yankton, S. D. Venus was the hero, heroine rather, of the event. Venus is a monster female elephant, the largest of her species in captivity, and is also one of the fiercest. She is a dangerous animal and has killed three men in her time. Knowing this you can imagine our dismay, then, when we found that this dangerous beast had escaped at Yankton. Just how she accomplished the feat of getting away I do not know. The first thing we knew about the affair was when the news reached us that some sea monster was sporting in the muddy waters of the Missouri. The monster was Venus, and she was monster enough to strike terror into the hearts of the boldest. As we approached she gave a vicious trumpet, and started for the shore. Can an elephant swim? I don't know but I do know that that elephant got across the river without a great deal of trouble, and to all appearance she swam. Across from Yankton is a great brush covered marsh, and into this the dripping queen of the circus tent plunged. We followed her with ropes, a great gang of us, but we could not get within 200 yards of her. She started off at a gallop, and soon disappeared. The marsh was pretty soft in places and she came near getting stuck once. To tell all the things that that old gal did the next two days would take half the afternoon. She tore up the country for miles around and scared the country folks nearly to death by chasing their stock into their very houses. She seemed to have it in for everything on four legs, though she steered shy of men. She killed four cows, a thousand dollar Jersey bull and four cats that I know of. We paid for everything but the cats. Well, its getting pretty near train time, so I won't go into further details of her doings. We tried every available means that we could think of to capture the wily brute, but all to no avail. Finally Keeper Prof. Wood, African explorer and elephant trainer, hit upon a plan which looked feasible. If there is one thing in the world that Mrs. Venus loves besides peanuts it is Hamburg, no, not steak—though you might call it a stake—but a baby elephant. The professor's plan was to entice the youngster onto a huge float, take him out in the river opposite the marsh and so coax the old lady into the deep water. Once there, with lassoes, etc., we thought we might trap her. The baby is a big baby and weighs a few pounds. There was but one scow in the region that would hold him and that was hardly large enough, though we figured that by tying him solid it would do. We secured the services of the C. M. & St. P. wrecking crew, the pile driver crew, and all the available section men with a lot of blocks and tackles and went to elephant junior. There was such a swarm of us that we accomplished our object in half an hour and at the end of that time Hamburg was lying on his side, the boat anchored in mid-stream, trumpeting like mad for aid. The boat rode nicely and we were congratulating ourselves, (there were 13 boats of us,) on our success when we heard Venus coming on the run. Just then Hamburg commenced to squirm about. He kicked and hunched until he worked from the center of the boat nearly to the edge. What if the thing should upset? The water, we had sounded it, was 17 feet deep. We knew that if the affair turned over the scow would still hold its burden and that the rope would also hold, but would the critter live until we could rescue him? Suddenly with a great splash and a startling shriek from poor Hamburg the boat turned completely over. The water was churned into foam, the boat floated, but bobbed about at a lively rate. Venus had now arrived on the bank and with a shrill squeal, leaped to the rescue. We all bent our oars in an effort to escape Venus, and—hello, darned if that ain't my train. Sorry, but I must leave you. See, she's pulling out—so long, see you later." The train was now under way and with a final wave of the hand the genial Mr. Moore disappeared from sight and hearing. He will be in the city again however, and we will endeavor to finish the tale for the benefit of our curious readers within a week or so, when he is due to return.

Cooperstown, July 14.