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Our Agent will be located at the Palace Hotel in the City of Cooperstown, during the fall months, parties wishing fire insurance with us can procure it by applying to him or a letter directed to the Merchants State Mutual Insurance Company will bring you an application which you can fill out and forward to us and we will give it prompt at-



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of all kinds is complete and of good quality. We are always pleased to see our old customers as well as make new ones. Come in whether you wish to buy or not.

Gull River Lumber Co.

Cooperstown, North Daketa.

Dr. L. S. PLATOU, of Valley City, praduate of Christiania University, Mrs. E. E. Dowrz will close out her orway, will be in Cooperstown Oct. 18th and 31st for the purpose of Seth and 31st for the purpose of specificing his profession. Regular possible reduction. Come and convince white last Friday and Saturday of each yourself that prices are right. Nov. 2, 3 and 4th.

As she intends going out of business MRS. E. E. Dowrz will close out her Songs by Prof. Thomas, Miss Mable entire stock of millinery goods within Thomas, contraits Soloist and Pianist,

### LOCALS.

W. H. Francis, who has been holding down a case on the Sentinel for the past few weeks, left Saturday after-noon for Wimbledon where he will hold down a similar job in the News office at that place.

S. A. Lewis has almost completed his new house which is to be occupied by John Cussons. -Mr. Lewis has built a very neat little cottage doing the work himself and demonstrates that he can go some along building lines

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Beeman and Mr. and Mrs. Runyan, of Valley City, came up from that city last Friday via the limited-which is Beeman's auto-and made the trip in four hours. They were the guests of Col. and Mrs. S. A. Lewis until Tuesday.

Nels P. Nelson, H. Hanson, B. Tufte Erick Erickson and Gust Olson went out after geese the other day and Nels P. says they got fifteen. One of the other fellows says that they did not even see a goose so you can believe just what you want to out of this.

A return game of basket ball will be played at Hannaford next Saturday afternoon, weather permitting, between the Hannaford and Cooperstown girls and we have it from good authority that the creck town players are after the scalps of the county seat girls this

Maccabee Tent No. 42, will give a grand ball at Marquardt's Opera House this (Thursday) evening, October 20th A grand good time is promised and you are all cordially invited to attend. It will be an all night dance and \$1.00 will be the price of the ticket for the

Fargo, N. D. The undersigned had been attending other schools before enrolling at Aaker's Business College and find that 1 made more satisfactory progress at the Aaker's Business College than any other. I cheerfully recommend the school Respectfully, to others.

JOHN C. MOE.

Mrs. Phil Reimer was presented with a substantial testimonial of esteem-a set of engraved silver teaspoons-by the Ladies Aid of the Congregational church just before she left for her new home in St. Paul. That the token of good will and esteem is heartily appreciated by the lady goes without say-

A basket social was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Van Vleet, west of Hannaford, on Friday evening last, which was enjoyed by a good crowd. A short literary and musical program was appreciated by the audience after which came "those baskets." They proved very tempting and the gentlemen knew from their outward appearmanner of good things. The evening's entertainment was a success financially is well as socially.

I wish to show my appreciation of he fact that for the last six months of last year my customers gave me their grain for less than the line Co's were offering and for the further fact that my business this year far exceeds that of last. So have arranged with the Crane-Johnson Co., for a liberal supply of hard coal and will supply it to my regular customers at a low price. Order at once and be prepared to unload from the car. This offer is good only to regular customers.

HYDE of Hannaford. The new rural route will start next Monday. Before patrons can be supplied with mail by the carrier they must get a box and place it in position.

These boxes can be obtained from the carrier, Martin Rood, at Johnson & Rood's livery barn and we would advise all those who have not already done so to get a move on and put up their box. This free delivery is for the benefit of those living in the country and if those interested don't feel like putting up a box then they can't expect to get the

A country paper tells of two little boys who ask their mother if they may play store in the dining room. "Yes" she replied, "if you don't make much noise." "We'll be quiet about it, mom," said one, "we'll play we are sterekeepers who don't advertise.' This kind of a game would not do in Cooperstown—because every business man uses a liberal supply of printer's ink. Their ads. are full of bargains and you cannot play any better game nor spend your time more profitably than by reading the interesting ads.

in this issue of the Courier.

The Three Thomas Tours, Topeka to Pikes Peak, Brigham Young and Salt Lake to Dewey and Manilla Bay. Grant's tomb on the world's most beautiful river, stupendous Niagara and Mauch Chunk the pride of Pennsylvania, the Great Lakes and The Yellowstone. 33 nights, 33 cents each (children 16) cents,) finest of Stereopican Views, one fourth of a mile of Edisons Moving Pictures. Illustrated



# Special Sale of

We have been fortunate in securing a line of sample garments in Children, s. Misses and Ladies at from

25 TO 50 PER CT.

below regular wholesale prices. We will therefore open the scason on

Thursday, Sept.

of these garments giving you the advantage of our fortunate purchase.

We will throw into this sale a large line of LADIES FUR GARMENTS consisting of seal. astrackan and other furs.

Remember the date, expect best values.

Yours for business,

C. T. WHIDDEN. September 15, 1903.



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Made by the celebrated AARON & MARKS Company of Milwaukee, Wis. These goods are strictly first class. Can't we sell you your Fall and Winter Suit? We also handle a full and complete line of



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We will sell you anything along these lines at prices as low as can be found anywhere in the County.

Give us your next order.

Yours for business,

Hjort, Thingelstad & Co. JESSIE, N. D.