



TIME CARD

TRAINS.

	No. 118 West Bound	No. 119 East Bound
Cooperstown	De 8:45 a.m.	Ar 8:00 p.m.
McHenry	Ar 10:25 a.m.	Ar 4:20 p.m.
McHenry	Ar 12:25 p.m.	De 1:40 p.m.

Through tickets to all points in the United States, Canada, Alaska, China and Japan. Northern Pacific Express Money Orders for sale. Bankable anywhere.

W. J. Payne, Agt., Cooperstown, N. D. A. M. Cleland, G. P. A., St. Paul, Minn.

Local.

We have improved farms for sale. **FIRST NATIONAL BANK**

30 per cent. off on china at I. D. Allen's.

Rev. V. H. Ruring has accepted a call to the Congregational church at Deadwood, S. Dakota.

Mrs. Alex. Moffatt left on Monday afternoon for her old Canadian home where she will spend three months visiting old time friends.

Toys for all the girls and boys at Jameson & Olson.

The Baptist young people held a social at the pastor's residence Friday night and for a few hours enjoyed a very social time playing games and eating good things.

Full line of turkeys, ducks, geese, chickens, oysters, celery, fresh fish, prepared Lute Fiske, etc. Leave orders early at Model Meat Market, phone 60.

It is reported by grapevine telephone that C. F. Nelson is down in Iowa investing in a bride and that when he returns to Cooperstown Mrs. Nelson will accompany him. This is only street rumor however and can be taken for what it is worth.

One of the largest stocks of holiday goods west of the twin cities—an elegant line. 30 per cent. off at Allen's.

Peter Larson and family left on Friday afternoon for Silverton, Oregon, where they expect to make their home. Mr. Larson, we understand has rented some land out there and wants to try that climate for awhile. He says if he don't like it he can come back to Griggs county. The COURIER certainly wishes him prosperity and good luck.

A special discount given to all churches on Xmas Tree Trimmings, Nuts, Candies, etc., at Jameson & Olson's.

Our business men are sending out some elegant calendars this season. When Cooperstown business men go after anything of this sort they go into it right—none but the best goes. Along this line let us remind our readers that these same merchants have just as fine lines of Christmas goods as can be found anywhere, and if you can't find something for Xmas in this town you are very hard to suit.

STATE BANK of Cooperstown, has money at all times for Farm Loans.

A visit to the new school building last Saturday by ye editor revealed the fact that matters were progressing very rapidly now. Foreman Walker has ten carpenters at work and the work of putting on the casings and finishing work is going along fine. The painters are keeping right up, the steam fitters are through and the plumbers are keeping right up with the procession. It now looks as if the building would be completed and ready for occupancy right after the holidays. The building is well ventilated, adequately heated, is very nice all through, and the citizens generally can well afford to be proud of their new educational institution.

Buy your wife or sweetheart a diamond ring or a beautiful chateleine watch—nicely engraved—at Allen's for a Xmas gift. Order early.

The Griggs county court house had a narrow escape from being burned down last Saturday. A prisoner by the name of Jackson concluded that he wanted to escape and in order to work up a scheme to give him a chance he built a fire on top of the steel cage out of old papers and bedding. The smoke soon filled the building and attracted the attention of those in charge. Sheriff Flynn was away at the time and Deputy Nels P. Nelson was down town. The prisoner had armed himself with a hammer and threatened to lay out any one who went into the cell. When Mr. Nelson arrived he promptly took the hammer away from the prisoner and ordered him into the steel cage and locked him up, the fire being put out in the meantime. The fact that the cell room was lined with a steel ceiling is the only thing that saved a big fire. Jackson appears to be a dangerous sort of a character and needs close watching. He is the fellow who threatened Editor Curry, of Binford.

Go to **FIRST NATIONAL BANK** for your Farm Loans.

The Crane-Johnson Company have installed a hot water plant in their office building which makes it very comfortable for them.

Japanese, German and Haviland china, a large variety. 30 per cent. off at Allen's.

Hammer & Condy on Monday purchase M. L. Ruggles farm up by section five. Mr. Ruggles intends to move onto another farm, we are informed.

Wanted—Capable girl to do general housework. Apply to Mrs. C. T. Whidden.

The Methodists and Congregationalists have recently built substantial new barns on their church properties so that the pastor's horse and cow will be properly housed from now on.

25 pair second hand harness. Apply to R. C. Cooper.

The fair and supper given by ladies of the Congregational society last Friday afternoon and evening was a decided success in every particular. The fancy articles sold well and the supper was well patronized. The ladies took in over \$200.

Jameson & Olson got in 1740 pounds of Candy yesterday.

We ran up against the first real cold snap of the winter Monday morning when the thermometer went to 14 below. It is real bracing after this hot, murky weather, and makes us feel young again, however we are only willing to take this kind of medicine occasionally and in homeopathic doses.

\$100,000 to loan on farm land. First National Bank of Cooperstown.

Married—On Thursday, December 7th, 1904, by Rev. M. Njust, Mr. Lars J. Watne to Miss Sophia Heigesen, both of this county. The wedding occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Nicolai Boe, in the presence of a few friends of the contracting parties. Mr. Watne is one of our substantial young farmers and the COURIER joins with many friends in extending congratulations to himself and bride.

DR. L. S. PLATOU, of Valley City, graduate of Christiania University, Norway, will be in Cooperstown Dec. 30th and 31st for the purpose of practicing his profession. Regular visits last Friday and Saturday of each month.

Miss Amelia Beler was shot through the left shoulder last Saturday morning with a 22 rifle in the hands of the little son of Peter Hanson. It seems that the boy was sent to Beler's for a shoe last which was in the barn. Miss Beler went out to get it and the boy followed. The rifle was covered up in the barn but was discovered by the boy who picked it up, pointed the gun at Miss Beler and fired the ball striking her in the shoulder. It was certainly a lucky thing that the ball did not strike lower down or there would have been another victim of a gun carelessly left loaded. Dr. Brimi was hastily summoned and dressed the wound and Miss Beler is getting along nicely. Her many friends are very much pleased at her exceedingly lucky escape. People who have guns around their premises should see to it that they are not loaded and placed beyond the reach of children.

The man who deposits his funds in the bank and pays all his expenses and bills with checks has a complete record of his cash transactions. The **STATE BANK OF COOPERSTOWN** solicits business of this kind. It save counting the old paper money over and over. Depositors and borrowers are alike welcome. If more convenient send your business by mail and it will receive as prompt attention as if you brought it in person.

J. G. WALLBRIDGE
CONTRACTOR & BUILDER,

Is now ready to figure on that new building you are contemplating.

Four first class furnished rooms to rent. Apply to Mrs. Chas. Nicoll.

Senator Crane went up to McHenry Monday to look over the interests of the company at the terminus.

FOUND—A bunch of keys. If they are worth the price of this notice owner can get them by calling at the COURIER office.

President Robt. Jones of the First National Bank, came up from Fargo last Monday to look over affairs at this end of the line.

Thompson Bros., are sending out a very neat and substantial combined pocket and bill books—one of the best we have seen this season by way of a souvenir.

Choosing out my entire line of china for the next 10 days. 30 per cent. off, at I. D. Allen's.

The Cooperstown schools will enjoy a two weeks vacation during the holidays. This will give the contractor a chance to finish the new building so that it can be occupied the first of the year.

The pupils of the second and third, fourth and fifth and sixth and seventh grades have been granted a long vacation until after the holidays. It has been impossible to get the rooms heated so that the scholars will be comfortable. The new schoolhouse will be used after the holidays.

According to their usual custom the business men of Cooperstown will close their stores after Christmas at 6 p. m. until April 1st and from that time until Sept. 1st at 8 p. m., including the postoffice. The people will bear this in mind and not try to break the door open in a desperate attempt to get in after that time on those dates.

Xmas Trees and Trimmings, Wreathing, Holly and Mistletoe at Jameson & Olson's.

Scott Vandebogart came up from Zumbrota, Minn., Tuesday and is greeting old time friends at this place. He had not been in town but a short time before he sold his home—stead fourteen miles west of town to John Ebertire. He still has a quarter left, and thinks that North Dakota farm land is the best investment going, which shows that his judgment is good. Scott would like to be a Griggs county farmer again if he didn't have that Minnesota farm.

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.

For some time we have been trying to get a rural route established running from the postoffice at this place southeast, south and back around by the Zimmerman farm back to town. Congressman Marshall took the matter up with the department with the result that an inspector was ordered here to investigate the deal. Special Inspector Everett B. Norton was here last Thursday and Friday and made a thorough inspection of the proposed route and has decided to recommend its establishment. This will be welcome news to the farmers living in that territory who will thus be enabled to get a daily mail right at their own door. It will probably take a couple of months before the route is put in operation but it will certainly come early in the new year.

SUCCESS IN LIFE

Money stored up by the working man in small savings is a barricade against want. It secures him a foothold in times of panic and failing employers, and enables him to wait in comfort for better times.

Without such savings he is not his own master.

When work fails he cannot seek for it elsewhere, but is tied to one spot. The acquisition of money, at least enough to keep the "wolf from the door" is not only legitimate and praiseworthy, but a positive duty.

We will, most cheerfully, get you started to saving if you will open a Saving Fund Account with us.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK of COOPERSTOWN.

A beautiful line of pocket books and bags for the ladies at Allen's.

A baby girl was born to Mr and Mrs. L. G. Larson Tuesday morning of this week, Dr. Kerr being in attendance. L. G. says he now has two boys and two girls and will not attempt to fill his hand as he thinks two pair is good enough.

Call at R. S. Lund's office for farm loans and insurance.

B. C. Phipps, the pioneer wheat buyer of Mose—this is the town they used to call Lewis—was in the city last Friday looking over the Christmas stocks and getting wise to the prices to see if his gross earnings could stand the pressure. Bert is all right and doing well.

Everything the heart could wish for in Christmas goods at Allen's.

Fred King returned home last Saturday from an extended trip to the World's Fair. He also visited Chicago and got loaded up on automobile points so that he is now in line to handle customers right. The Rambler is as good as any machine made—there are none better for the money.

Temperance Spreading.

Out in Washington state where they have saloons sentiment is gradually spreading in favor of prohibition and it is the right kind of sentiment, too. At Sumner where we have a brother located the wet and dries have just had a battle royal and the wets got downed. This makes two years running that this has happened and we attribute the change to the voters who have moved into there from North Dakota. We congratulate the majority. Any town is better off without a saloon. Blindpigs may exist but they cannot do much business if the citizens want to enforce the law and those who want to patronize a place of this character have to do so under cover of darkness. The argument that the towns having saloons have revenue to improve those towns is too thin. No town that we visited four years ago on the coast in which saloons were located shows any evidence of thrift from license money. Burn sidewalks and unpainted buildings were the dominating feature. North Dakota has no saloons but it has better kept up towns, better farm buildings, richer farmers and a bigger per capita of money value than any state in the union according to assessed valuation and all this without a dollar of saloon money. The COURIER congratulates Sumner. May this wave of reform extend all over that great state. When it does the people of that state will be richer and happier. Cooperstown is down on the map as one of the most progressive and best sidewalked and painted towns in the country and does not owe a dollar of debt. We have progressive business men at the head of affairs and sober citizens to improve their property—that's what counts, not saloon money. Saloons are the incubators of crime, impoverishers of the home, the degradation of society and a blight on the prosperity of the nation.

WELL!

DO You Know

you have about 10 days left in which to buy that Christmas Present. We may have just the thing you want so don't wait.

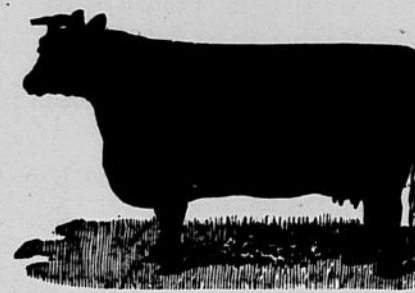
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Dolls, Toys,
Books,
Toilet Sets,
Lamps,
Dishes, ETC.

We could tell you a great deal more, but would rather "Get Busy" showing them to you.

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Greenview Herd, Poland-China & Shorthorns

5 young Bulls and the best lot of Young Pigs for sale ever offered. Sired by our great herd boar Rockwell's Chief, sire Dakota Chief.



Let us fix you out with a good start in Hogs & Cattle. Don't raise scrubs for 2cts when good ones will bring you 4c. Come and see our Stock. Visitors welcome anytime.

BUTLER & UPTON, Cooperstown, N. D.

Our Ads Are Truthful. Christmas Gifts

with the marks of quality can be found by looking over our choice selection.

Tea Pots Silver Lined, Nickel Plated with Stag Handle.

Carving Knives the kind that good steel is found in. Price \$1.00 up to \$10.00.

Sleds A good assortment 50c up.

Tool Chests Small chests for boys. Price 1.10 up to 2.00

Table Knives the stock runs from the cheap 75c a set up to finest plated goods at \$5 00 a set.

Pocket Knives Every kind one can want 5c to 3 00.

Razors & Stropps Every one warranted to please.

Foot Warmer Kind that don't go out on a long drive.

M. G. EVENSON.