



TIME CARD OF TRAINS.

	No. 113 West Bound	No. 118 East Bound
Sanborn	De 8:45 a.m.	Ar 6:30 p.m.
Cooperstown	Ar 10:25 a.m.	Ar 4:30 p.m.
McHenry	Ar 12:55 a.m.	De 1:45 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.

The COURIER wishes its many readers a Merry Xmas.

Fred Evenson left last Saturday for his home at St. Peter, Minn.

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

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

Miss Jannette Whidden came home last Saturday to spend the holidays at home.

George Hartman left last Friday for Hillsboro, Wis., where he will visit friends for a few weeks during the winter.

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

The schools take a vacation of two weeks after Friday, reconvening Jan. 9th, 1905, we hope, in the new schoolhouse.

Rev. L. B. Crosby, of Crystal, North Dakota, visited for a couple of days last week with Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Whidden.

The postoffice force were kept very busy this week taking care of Christmas mail going east. The amount of presents sent away this year was larger than ever.

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

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Cooper left Tuesday for Denver, Colorado, where they will spend Christmas with Mrs. Barnard and family. After that they expect to spend the balance of the winter at some of those nice summer resort in winter.

E. L. Zimmerman, city editor of the Fargo Call, has gone to Minot to defend himself in a libel suit, a legacy of the last campaign. We expect that Zim will come out of the ordeal all right as it is a very hard matter to convict a newspaper man for libel these days.

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

Sheriff Jack Flynn returned home Monday. He had been out "looking for a man" over in Stutsman county. He spent Sunday with Sheriff-Elect Harry Wasser, at Jamestown. Jack says they are building a \$30,000 sheriff's residence and jail at Jamestown, so that Mr. Wasser will have some elegant quarters to live in when they are completed.

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

The boys down at our neighboring town of Hannaford have organized a band and will give a masquerade ball December 30, for the purpose of raising some money to equip it properly. The price of a ticket to this ball is just one dollar and you cannot invest in any more worthy purpose. A prize will be given for the best suit represented as well as for the most comical suit. Those having the matter in charge cordially invite everybody to this grand masquerade ball on the night of December 30.

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

The inaugural ball will be held at the state capitol, Bismarck, Friday night, January 6. The ball will be held in the new house chamber, recently completed and pronounced by architects and builders the handsomest assembly hall in the state. Two orchestras have been engaged, the Rupert Orchestra at Fargo and the Capital City Orchestra. Concert programs will be rendered by both orchestras and one orchestra will play during the luncheon hour so that there will be no intermission in the dancing. The citizens' committee of Bismarck extend a cordial invitation to every resident of the state to come and make the inaugural the biggest event in the social history of the state. Tickets will be \$5 a couple, including two supper tickets. Additional ladies will be charged for at the rate of \$1 each. Gallery ticket for spectators \$1 a couple. Remember the date, Friday, January 6.

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

Miss Ethel Warner, deputy county auditor, returned from a trip to Fargo last Monday.

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

Postmaster Trubshaw has recently installed a number of new lock boxes which is an evidence that the business of the office is gaining.

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

Mr. and Mrs. John Morris and daughter, of Kensal, were arrivals in Cooperstown last Saturday and have been visiting old friends at this place.

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

Lieut.-Gov. David Bartlett returned home last Monday after a long siege at the World's Fair, where he has been representing the state—and representing it in a very creditable manner. After a few days rest he will go to Bismarck to preside over the state senate.

Furnished room for rent. Enquire of E. S. Hamilton.

Up to this time no North Dakotan could complain of the winter. With no snow on the ground and with the exception of two or three days reasonably windy weather, we certainly have no kick coming. In New York, Iowa, Wisconsin and other state they have heavy snows and 25 below zero weather. The banana belt is moving this way just like the tide of immigration.

WANTED—Good man for farm. Will pay \$10 per month during January, February and March.

Ed. THORN, Jessie, N. D.

A social event was the progressive finch party given by Mrs. George H. Condy to twenty-eight of her lady friends at her home last Friday afternoon and evening. The affair is said to have been very very pleasant by those ladies who attended. The prize was won on a draw by Mrs. Burseth from Mrs. N. A. Bergstrom. A very nice lunch was served at the conclusion of the game and each lady was presented with a beautiful American beauty rose.

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.

The following story, which is going the rounds, contains a good deal of wisdom: A few weeks ago a young man bought a pair of socks containing a note saying the writer was an employe of the Kenosha, Wisconsin, knitting works and wanted a good husband. She gave her name, and requested the buyer, if unmarried, to write with a view to matrimony. The young man found the note, considered the matter in all its phases, and then decided to write to the girl. Awaiting with anxiety, he was at last rewarded with a curt note, stating that the girl was now a mother of two children and had been married four years, and the letter was written ever so long ago. It was a "sock dolager," and the young man hunted for a solution. He found it. The merchant of whom he bought the socks doesn't advertise.

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

Dave Willcox and his niece, Mrs. Annie McCook left on Wednesday of last week for Marmora, Ontario, Canada, where they will spend three months visiting friends.

WANTED TO RENT—Small farm with good buildings. Address R. Cousins, Finley, N. D.

There will be a business meeting of the Congregational church to-night. All members are requested to be present as business of importance is to come before the meeting.

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

Sells Bengson went up to Ray last Saturday to prove up on one of the best farms in that vicinity. Sells is getting to be a bloated farmer and all he wants now is a wife—which he says is coming.

Born—On Saturday morning, December 17, 1904, a big, bouncing baby boy to Mr. and Mrs. John Johnson, Dr. Bergstrom being in attendance. John says it is the finest boy in the county and uncle Olaf seconds the motion.

Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Langley left on Thursday of last week for Silverton, Oregon, where they expect to reside in the future. They were accompanied by Miss Pearl Houghton. The COURIER wishes them good luck in their new home.

The Congregational Sunday school and congregation will hold their annual Christmas tree and exercises in the church next Saturday evening at 7:30. All those who affiliate with this church are cordially invited to be present at these exercises.

Xmas Cards, Fancy Albums and Work Boxes and all kinds of Holiday Goods at Jameson & Olson's.

The Powell-Portella Co. supporting Wm. V. Mong played to Cooperstown audiences last Thursday and Friday nights. The first night the company presented "In the Sierras;" and on the second night "Gully Without Crime." Both performances were creditable.

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

Master Workman E. Marquardt recently received a check for \$2000 payable to the widow of the late Martin Knapp, which is the amount of insurance carried by the deceased in Griggs Lodge No. 13, Ancient Order of United Workmen. This is another instance of the promptness of this popular order in paying its obligations.

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.

A great many people living right close to the fire hall failed to hear the fire bell when it sounded the alarm last Wednesday night when an alarm was turned in from Knud Thompson's residence. It seems to us that a stronger alarm system is needed in this town. The fire was put out without a great deal of damage although the ceiling of one room down stairs was badly scorched and a pair of heavy curtains burned up. It is not known how the fire started.

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.

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.

The new lighting plant at the court house was started up Tuesday night and is said to work nicely.

Senator Maynard Crane went to Fargo on business Monday. He is fixing up his business preparatory to going to Bismarck next week where he will represent this district in the state senate.

A pair of gold rimmed glasses were left in John Syverson's store about a week ago. Owner can get them by calling at the COURIER office and paying for this notice.

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

There will be service in the Lutheran church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and Christmas tree entertainment in the evening. Everybody cordially invited.

The Commercial Club is testing a new street gasoline lamp. The lamp is all right and throws a fine light but does not do the work it would if it were suspended in the center of the square. By placing these lamps on a corner it needs two to each square which makes it too expensive.

Cooperstown Lodge No. 45 Knights of Pythias elected the following officers last Thursday night: C. C. Wm. Stringer, V. C., Fred Detwiler; Prelate, Geo. Stringer; M. of W., O. E. Somers; M. A., Martin Rood; K. of R. & S. & M. F., Western Houghton; M. of E., Rier Anderson; I. G., Bert Campbell; O. G., Ernest Fritche; Trustee 2 years, M. G. Evenson.

PROF. H. H. AAKER, Fargo, N. D.

Dear Sir:—On February 1st, I enrolled in the Commercial Department of your school. By July 1st, you placed me in a position in a hardware store, at Ada, Minn. I was very favorably impressed by the realistic methods employed in teaching book-keeping, and I feel confident, of what I know of other schools, that Aaker's Business College has no superior, and few equals.

Respectfully,
HENRY S. HOUGLUM.
Ada, Minn., Dec. 12, 1904.

New Medical Society.

A new society consisting of the physicians of Barnes and Griggs counties was recently organized at Valley City. The new society is called the The Sheyenne Valley Medical Society and is officered as follows:

- President—Dr. Platou, Valley City.
- Vice-President—Dr. Bochmann, Fingal, N. D.
- Sec. and Treas.—Dr. Brimi, Cooperstown.
- Delegate—Dr. Pray, Valley City.
- Board of Censors—Dr. Lang, Sanborn. Dr. Westley, Cooperstown. Dr. Claybough, Litchville. □

Notice of Dissolution.

To Whom it May Concern: Notice is hereby given that the firm of Hill & Co., consisting of A. Gowan, C. L. Twoby and Thos. Kileen of St. Louis county, Minn., and Jas. H. Hill, of Griggs county, N. D., has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. All parties holding claims against the said firm of Hill & Co., are hereby notified to present same at once to Jas. H. Hill and parties owing said firm are requested to call and settle same with the said Jas. H. Hill. Signed this 28th day of November, 1904.
J. H. HILL,
TWOHY, KILEEN CO.
By A. Gowan, Manager.

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.

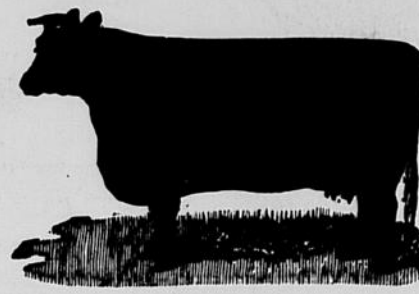
We Have
Dolls, Toys,
Books,
Toilet Sets,
Lamps,
Dishes, ETC.

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

THOMPSON BROS.

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 2c's when good ones will bring you 4c. Come and see our Stock. Visitors welcome anytime.

BUTLER & UPTON, Cooperstown, N. D.

M. G. EVENSON

Wishes
A Merry Xmas
and a
Happy New Year

TO HIS PATRONS.