



TIME CARD OF TRAINS.

No. 114	No. 115
West Bound	East Bound
De 4:55 a.m.	Ar 4:30 p.m.
Cooperstown	Ar 10:25 a.m.
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	De 1:45 p.m.

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Local.

We have improved farms for sale. **FIRST NATIONAL BANK**
Miss Kathleen Crane arrived home for the holidays last Thursday.
Wait for Sanford Dodge, Opera House, Jan. 4 and 5.

Supt. Clara Feiring is at Fargo this week attending a meeting of the state teachers institute.

Editor and Mrs. Rearick and children left last Saturday for Minnesota to spend Christmas with friends.

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

Misses Lottie and Madeline Brownfield left Wednesday of last week for Belleflower, Illinois, at which place they will visit an uncle during the holidays.

W. S. Hyde was up from Hannaford Tuesday. He was in a scorched condition resulting from a little explosion he had in his engine room but was not seriously hurt.

The new year would be a very appropriate time to make a resolution to subscribe for the COURIER and then to put that resolution in immediate effect. This only applies to those who are not already subscribers.

The early closing movement went into effect Monday evening and the stores now close at 8 p. m. from this time on until April 1st. Saturday evenings the stores will remain open just as long as there is any business in sight.

A wrestling match has been arranged to take place in the opera house in the near future between Tom Etland, of Aneta, and Nels Halvorson, of Cooperstown, for a purse of \$150. Etland to throw Halvorson three times in one hour. See bill later.

The COURIER takes this occasion to thank its many readers and business men for the favors shown it during the year now about to pass into history and to wish one and all a Happy and Prosperous New Year. 1904 has been a good year for all and we hope the coming year will be full of promise and prosperity for all.

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

They say that now the days begin to lengthen so does the cold begin to strengthen which is usually a true saying about this time of the year in North Dakota. Anyway winter is half gone and so far we have had no bad weather and up to this writing no snow. It has been splendid weather and the long winter so much dreaded has been shortened considerably.

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

The Congregational church held its annual business meeting last Thursday night. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Clerk, Mrs. Eliza Crawford; Treasurer, Frank Gladstone; Trustee, F. B. King; Deacon, J. C. Hazard; Ushers, A. M. Baldwin, Maynard Crane, Geo. Foss, Frank Gladstone; Organist, Mrs. David Bartlett; Assistant Organist, Miss Signi Widlund. The financial affairs of the organization are in good shape and the church shows a good growth the past year.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Brown, of North Dakota, came in last week and are stopping at Goodall, where they have a cottage. Mr. Brown in conversation with the writer stated that they were having exceedingly cold weather in the Dakotas, and he was glad to be in the land of sunshine and flowers.—Daytona, Fla., Gazette-News.

Tut, tut, Jack, when you left here the weather was balmy and nice. Don't be giving those newspaper chaps a talk like that—although just at this writing we don't know but what you are correct.

One evening the first of the week a lady—considerably inclined towards embonpoint—was coming hurriedly up Burrell avenue with her arms well filled with Christmas parcels, when she unexpectedly stepped off the edge of the sidewalk. She lit on the bosom of mother earth with a resounding jar that might have been heard this side of Jessie, and expressed her disapprobation of the whole proceedings and of sidewalks in general, with an exclamation that sounded suspiciously like "—!" Anyone sending to this office a correct solution of what the lady said—accompanied by \$1.50 will receive a copy of the COURIER for one year.

Go to FIRST NATIONAL BANK for your Farm Loans.

The snow shoveling period has arrived. Get out your shovels.

Lieut.-Gov. Bartlett left on Monday for Bismarck to be present when the legislature meets next Tuesday.

Two rooms to rent. Inquire of Mrs. Julius Stevens.

Miss Emma Beier is doing a stunt at the telephone headquarters during the absence of the regular operator.

N. A. Patterson went to Fargo Saturday to spend Christmas as the guest of President Robt. Jones, of the First National.

Dave Mills and Walt Retzlaff, two of the rich farmers from Portal, have been spending the holidays at Cooperstown visiting friends and relatives.

Landlord D. G. Campbell, of the Arcade Hotel, left Monday for Minot to pay a visit to his claim. He had twenty-four miles to drive after reaching Minot which is plenty far enough this season of the year.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Gust. Olson entertained about twenty friends Monday night in a royal good time. After eating a very fine supper the party played various games and then topped it off with another lunch about 11 p. m. A very nice time is reported by those present.

Prof. Farr is arranging for a joint debate at the Fluto bridge school in the near future, in which several of the best debaters of Cooperstown are to be opposed to each other. A popular subject will be debated and a regular pyrotechnic display of oratory can be looked for. Secure your seats early for Prof. Farr.

They are going to have some big automobile races on the beach at Daytona, Florida, and we have been thinking of entering the races along with Lon Rhodes and the boys. Jack Brown is down there and while he has no auto he has a bicycle and the "Chauffers" will have to go some if they beat him under the wire. A dispatch from that place reports Jack having a fine time catching frogs, oysters, and other reptiles and riding a hundred miles or less each day on his bike on the beach. We envy these rich North Dakota farmers.

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.

Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Crane entertained twenty couples at a "German" at the Palace Hotel last Monday evening and the affair is said to have been one of the most enjoyable events given in Cooperstown. Those who have enjoyed the hospitality of the Crane family on other occasions know that they are entertainers par excellence. The merry making lasted until about 2:30 a. m. and during the intermission a very nice lap supper was served. The weather was rough and Mr. Crane had a strenuous time getting his guests together, but after they had congregated joy was unconfined from the start of the program to the finish and everyone present vote it one of the pleasantest times of their lives.

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.

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

The popular Sanford Dodge and talented company at the Opera House Jan. 4 and 5.

Alderman B. C. Phipps and family, of Mose, spent the Christmas holiday with H. P. Hammer and family. Bert says Mose is the coming county seat of Griggs county.

Miss Florence Shue and Mr. Oscar Thompson came home to spend the Christmas holidays, the University faculty have declared a vacation during the holidays.

With the advent of this crisp weather the coal dealers have been wearing a smile that won't rub off. The demand for black diamonds has been materially increased.

A New York snow storm—or blizzard—swept down on this section of the country last Sunday night and continued until Tuesday morning. It was accompanied by a stiff cold wave that made the atmosphere somewhat crisp on the outside.

The rural mail carrier has a job the last few days that very few people ought to envy. It is no soft snap facing these cold winds and plunging through snowdrifts. Patrons of the route should remember this when they feel inclined to grumble at an occasional miss of the mail wagon.

Mrs. Varnum VanVleet sends us a few lines from Hubbard, Oregon. She says: It is nice and warm here, the grass is green and flowers are in bloom. I will send you some pansies in the letter. We are having a little rain but not bad. We are going to Woodburn today. You will find in this letter a money order for \$1.50. Kind regards to your wife and daughter. The editor acknowledges receipt of the \$1.50 which furnishes us the price of a Christmas turkey, and extends the compliments of the season to Mr. and Mrs. Van Vleet and family.

It was reported that a prominent local couple were married the other day so that a few of our prominent gentlemen got up a charivari and marched up to the house to do things upright, one married man being so enthusiastic as to step up and kiss the supposed bride. The whole affair turned out to be a hoax and there are a few very prominent gentlemen who feel about like thirty cents. The COURIER will be charitable at this time and will withhold names.

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.

Startling Evidence.

Fresh testimony in great quantity is constantly coming in, declaring Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds to be unequalled. A recent expression from T. J. McFarland, Bentonsville, Va., serves as example. He writes; "I had Bronchitis for three years and doctored all the time without being benefitted. Then I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery and a few bottles wholly cured me." Equally effective in curing all lung and throat troubles, consumption, pneumonia and grip. Guaranteed by H. H. Bateman, druggist. Trial bottles free, regular sizes 50c and \$1.00.

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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.

Prof. and Mrs. Loreaux are at Fargo this week attending the State Educational Meeting.

Attorney George Murray, the silver-tongued orator of Steele county, was in the city last Monday.

Attorney Ade Thompson arrived from Ann Arbor, Mich., last Friday, to eat his Christmas dinner at home.

Senator and Mrs. Maynard Crane leave this week for Bismarck to remain until the legislative session is over.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Parsons, of Grand Forks, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Crane over Christmas, arriving last Friday.

Mrs. John C. Cussons left on Monday of this week for a visit to her home at Marshall, Minn. She will probably be gone about two months.

The Pope Bicycle Daily Memorandum Calendar for 1905 contains a memorandum leaf for every day in the year, and 365 original sayings in favor of good roads, good health, outdoor exercise, and that good vehicle of health-gluing, the modern bicycle, by our most eminent living men of marked accomplishment. The calendar is free at Pope Mfg. Co.'s stores or any of our readers can obtain it by sending five 2 cent stamps to Pope Mfg. Co., Hartford, Conn., or 143 Sigel St., Chicago, Ill.

The Griggs County State Bank is now fully organized. Its stockholders are A. H. Berg, of this place; S. H. Berg and O. A. Anderson, of Hannaford; P. M. Joice, President of First National Bank, Lake Mills, Iowa; S. H. Larson, Cashier of First National Bank, Lake Mills, Iowa; J. C. Williams, President Lake Mills Land and Loan Company, Lake Mills, Iowa; F. A. Christenson, physician, Lake Mills, Iowa; L. S. Gilbertson, State Treasurer, Des Moines, Iowa. Christ Reite has been appointed assistant cashier.

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.

Up at Minnewaukan, according to news received over the grape vine route, a druggist is a qualified justice of the peace. Last week a farmer visited town and while there succeeded in obtaining a surplus of "overjoyful," the result of which he was given free lodging for the night in the county bastle. The next morning he appeared before the druggist justice and received a fine of ten dollars and trimmings. This proceeding didn't evidently please the unfortunate granger, who forthwith hid himself to the state's attorney's office, where he made a complaint against the druggist-justice, from whom he alleges to have procured a portion of his refreshments—and the end is not yet.—New Rockford Provost.

That Throbbing Headache.

Would quickly leave you if you used Dr. King's New Life Pills. Thousands of sufferers have proved their matchless merit for sick and nervous headaches. They make pure blood and build up your health. Only 25 cents, money back if not cured. Sold by H. H. Bateman, druggist.

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COURTEOUS TREATMENT and FAIR DEALING

to merit a continuance of your favors. Wishing you a prosperous and Happy New Year.

We remain, Yours Very Truly,

Thompson Brothers.

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 when good ones will bring you 4c. Come and see our Stock. Visit ors welcome anytime.

BUTLER & UPTON, Cooperstown, N. D.

M. G. EVENSON

Wishes

A Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year

TO HIS PATRONS.