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### Fraud Exposed.

A few counterfeiters have lately been making and trying to sell imitations of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, and other medicines, thereby defrauding the public. This is to warn you to beware of such people, who seek to profit, through stealing the reputation of remedies which have been successfully curing diseases, for over 35 years. A sure protection, to you, is our name on the wrapper. Look for it, on all Dr. King's, or Bucklen's remedies, as all others are mere imitations. H. E. Bucklen & Co., Chicago, Ill., and Windsor, Canada.

### It to Bridge Echoes.

Chester Piatt and wife are back from their visit to New York and Michigan. Chester reports a fine time but very stormy weather. In his characteristic way he got busy at once and is now getting his automobile in trim. He will surely be in line for going some next summer.

Anton Halvorson is now digging a well on the home place. He hopes to be more successful in getting water this time than they have been in the past.

Mr. Skagen's funeral was well attended. Twenty-one teams were in the procession that went from the house to the church. There many more friends and neighbors met to help pay the last sad rites over the body of the old pioneer.

Our literary is still progressing nicely. Our last meeting was well attended and the programme was one of the best of the winter. The question for the next debate is, Resolved that we learn more inside the school-house than outside. The boys and young men are now debating.

The new officers elected last Friday night were, Frank Park, President; Charlie Young, Vice President; Agnes Homme, Secretary; Minnie Pederson, Assistant Secretary; Jacob Young, Treasurer.

On Friday evening March 3rd, there will be a basket party in the bridge schoolhouse. The proceeds are to be used to buy a new organ. Everyone is cordially invited to come.

Roy Johnson and Eddie Snyder had quite a mishap on Saturday last. They were going up the hill just east of Chester Piatt's with one hundred and twenty-five bushels of feed, and in coming to a sliding place over they went sled, feed and all. Mr. Johnson was thrown into a wire fence, but escaped with only a few torn clothes and without being buried in the feed.

Mr. and Mrs. Fluto are now visiting in Washington. Mr. Fluto we understand has quite an attack of coast fever at present.

Mr. Moody from near Binford was a visitor at our literary recently. He helped us out nicely with the musical part of our programme. Come again Mr. Moody, our lath-string hangs on the outside.

### COMMONER.

### Grave Trouble Foreseen.

It needs but little foresight to tell that when your stomach and liver are badly effected, grave trouble is ahead unless you take the proper medicine for your disease, as Mrs. John A. Young, of Clay, N. Y., did. She says: "I had neuralgia of the liver and stomach, my heart was weakened, and I could not eat. I was very pained for a long time, but in Electric Bitters, I found just what I needed, for the quickly relieved and cured me." Best medicine for weak women. Sold under guarantee by H. H. Bateman, druggist, at 50c a bottle.

### Auction Sale.

THURSDAY, MAR. 2, 1905. Howard Willson will have a big auction sale of stock machinery and grain at his farm in Griggs county, 11 miles north of Wimbledon. Sale begins at 10 o'clock sharp. Free lunch at noon. Remember the date, March 2d. See large posters for full particulars.

### STRANGE CHECKS.

#### The Odd Assortment Collected by One Bank Clerk.

A torn linen collar, a piece of lath, a cuff and a half dozen other odd objects hung above the bank clerk's desk. "My collection of queer checks," the young man said. "Each of those things is a check. Each was duly honored. Each has a story."

"I have been collecting queer checks for three years. That piece of lath started me. A western bank honored the lath for \$250. It was made out as a check by the owner of a sawmill, who was out at the plant with his son, thirty miles from any house, and totally without paper, let alone a check book. The money was needed to pay off the lath just what a check correctly drawn has on it, and he sent his son in to the bank to get the money and to explain. The lath check was honored after some discussion among the bank's officers."

"The cuff check was drawn by an actor who had become slightly intoxicated, got into a fight and been arrested. He was treated cavalierly in his cell. They wouldn't give him any paper, and he bribed a boy to take the check to a bank. The boy got the money, and with it the actor paid his fine. Otherwise he'd have been jailed for ten days. Thus the cuff check may be said to have saved a man from prison."

"The check written on that linen collar won a bet of \$5. A man bet a woman that a check made on a collar would be cashed, and of course he won his bet."

"Your bank, if you carry a good account, will honor the most freaky checks you can draw up. In such money business, though, it won't encourage you."—Chicago Chronicle.

### Eve's Apple.

A botanical friend showed me not long since what he said was the apple that must have tempted Eve in what was surely a tropical fruit garden. It was a little bit of an oriental crab, about a third of an inch in diameter, and, of course, it was bitterly sour! My philosophizing friend pointed out that, of course, the fruits in Eden were the natural "wild" fruits, and he was wondering whether the fall of mankind would not have been accelerated if the attracting tree had been hung with a fair crop of the tempting golden or crimson varieties of today.—Country Life in America.

### The Opposite Way.

He was a Rhodes scholar at Oxford. He had come from Germany and was receiving his first lessons in rowing. "Back water," said the coach. The German did not understand. The coach explained that it meant to use his oar "in the opposite way," and the Rhodes man followed instructions to the letter as nearly as he understood. He lifted his oar from the rowlock and put the handle into the water.

### As Always.

"What is your occupation, may I ask?" inquired the passenger with the skullcap. "Map maker," said the passenger in the long linen ulster. "Publisher, eh?" "No; soldier."—Chicago Tribune.

### Preserving the Spell.

Nell—He seems to be devoted to you. Belle—Yes. Nell—Why don't you marry him? Belle—Oh, I like to have him devoted to me.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Look on the bright side. If there is a baby in the house, there are also enough safety pins for the grown folks to help themselves.—Arlington Globe.

### Notice of Lease of School and Institution Lands.

The school and institution lands not already leased, situated in Griggs county and State of North Dakota, will be offered for lease at public auction to the highest bidder at the court house in the village of Cooperstown in said county, commencing at eleven o'clock a. m., on Friday, March 24th, 1905. A complete list of the lands to be offered for lease has been filed with the county auditor, where the same can be inspected. No bid will be entertained for less than 5 per cent. of the appraised value of cultivated lands and 1 per cent. of appraised value of uncultivated lands, and in no case will a bid be entertained for any quarter section at less than \$5 per year. Lands appraised at \$10 per acre or more will be leased for one year only. All uncultivated lands appraised at less than \$10 per acre will be leased for a term of five years. The entire amount of first year's rent, together with fee of \$3 for five years lease and \$1.50 for one year lease, must be paid at the time of leasing. All deferred payment of rentals must be paid on or before the sixth day of January in each year. The Board of University and School Lands reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Dated at Bismarck this 23rd day of Feb. A. D. 1905.

D. J. LARDALE,  
Comm'r of University and School Lands.

### Auction Sale.

I will sell at public auction on the Fred Sinclair place two and three quarter miles southwest of Jessie, Sec. 26-147-60, on

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 1905, the following described property to-wit: 11 head of horses, 14 milch cows, 1 shorthorn bull, 3 3-year-old steers, 3 sets double harness, 1 lumber wagon, 2 header boxes, 1 Deere gang plow, one double disc Dowagiac drill, 11 foot, with press attachment. A quantity of household furniture, and other articles too numerous to mention.

Term of Sale.—All sums under under \$10 cash; over that amount time will be given until Oct. 15, on notes with approved security with interest at 10 per cent. Sale at 11 a. m. sharp. Hot lunch at noon.

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### Citation and Hearing Proof of Foreign Will.

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA,  
County of Griggs.  
In County Court, before Hon. Will H. Carleton.  
In the matter of the Estate of Mahlon Norris Gilbert, deceased.  
Francis Carvill Gilbert, Petitioner.  
Lucy Peripont Gilbert, Seabury Divinity School, Frederick Gilbert, William Mahlon Gilbert, Ernest Dragg, C. A. Poole and C. C. Campbell, Respondents.

The state of North Dakota, to the above named respondent and all persons interested in the estate of Mahlon Norris Gilbert, deceased.  
You and each of you are hereby notified that Francis Carvill Gilbert, the petitioner herein, has filed in this court a copy of the last will and testament of Mahlon Norris Gilbert, late of the city of St. Paul, in the county of Ramsey, and State of Minnesota, deceased, and the probate thereof in the State of Minnesota, duly authenticated, with her petition praying for the admission to probate of said document as the last will of said deceased, and for the issuance to William H. Lightner of letters of administration thereon, and that the said petition and proofs of said purported will will be heard and duly considered by this court on Monday, the 20th day of March A. D. 1905, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, at the court rooms of this court, in the county court house, in the village of Cooperstown, County of Griggs and State of North Dakota, and

You and each of you are hereby cited to be and appear before this court at said time and place and answer said petition and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted.  
By the Court,  
WILL H. CARLETON,  
Judge of the County Court,  
Dated at Cooperstown, North Dakota, this 6th day of February, 1905.

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In County Court, before Hon. W. H. Carleton, Judge.  
In the matter of the Estate of Fanny P. C. Gilbert, deceased.  
Francis Carvill Gilbert, Petitioner.  
Lucy Peripont Gilbert, Respondent.

The State of North Dakota, to the above named Respondents and all persons interested in the estate of Fanny P. C. Gilbert, deceased.  
You and each of you are hereby notified that Francis Carvill Gilbert, the petitioner herein, has filed in this court a copy of the Last Will and Testament of Fanny P. C. Gilbert, late of the City of St. Paul, in the County of Ramsey and State of Minnesota, deceased, and the probate thereof in the State of Minnesota duly authenticated, with her petition, praying for the admission to probate of said document as the Last Will of said deceased, and for the issuance to William H. Lightner of letters of administration thereon, and that the said petition and proofs of said purported will will be heard and duly considered by this court on Monday, the 20th day of March A. D. 1905, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, at the Court Rooms of this court, in the County Court House, in the Village of Cooperstown, County of Griggs and State of North Dakota, and

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By the Court,  
WILL H. CARLETON,  
Judge of the County Court,  
Dated the 6th day of February, A. D. 1905.

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