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THE COOPERSTOWN COURIER.
 By FERTY B. TRUBSHAW.

A Maine woman of 82 summers has recently married her fifth husband who is only 32. There is hope for our Cooperstown bachelors. Dr. Osler will have to revise his recent decision about people over 60.

Field Marshall Oyama, the brilliant Japanese general, is 70 years old, and seems to be doing remarkably well. According to Dr. Osler he should have been chloroformed ten years ago. Probably Kuropatkin, Linevitch and Dragmroff wish he had been.

Governor Saries cut out appropriations for new buildings, etc., to the amount of \$224,000, bringing the total amount down to the capacity of the state's finances. The legislature exceeded the amount that much and the governor was forced to lop off a few appropriations which he has done in a wise and business like manner.

John D. Rockefeller has donated a few million dollars to different religious bodies all over the United States, and the ministers are now debating the question as to whether it would be right to accept the Standard Oil magnate's money. To make matters easy for the parsons they can turn the money over to the editor of this paper and thus get rid of a perplexing problem in a very easy manner. Our conscience stretches wonderfully when the almighty dollar is in sight.

The COURIER comes out in a larger form this week because it was necessary in order to take care of the increased advertising. We are not going to claim that it has long been recognized as the best paper in Griggs county because our subscription list substantiates that point. We have by far the largest circulation and it is still growing. Our subscription books are open to advertisers and those who have anything to get before the people by the use of printers ink should take into consideration the fact that the more people who read the paper the better results are obtained. We aim to print the news as we find it, and it can truthfully be said that no paper ever did more for the advancement of Griggs county than has the COURIER and it will always be found doing what it can towards the upbuilding of our town and county. The business men of our town are liberal advertisers and to them we owe our prosperity. They too, have prospered by the use of its columns. May paper and patrons continue to flourish.

A forcible illustration of the increasing value of North Dakota land can be seen almost any day at the local land office says the Devils Lake Inter-Ocean. Contests are now nearly as common as final proofs. A few years ago, a claim could be filed on, a shack built that was no more available as a residence than the costume of a Cuban urchin would be available as clothing in a North Dakota winter. He could dig a hole by the side of a slough, and it answered the purpose of a well. The other improvements required by law were made in the same manner. The homesteader's continuous residence upon the land consisted of a bi-yearly stay of one night in his shack, and the cooking and eating of a couple of meals. He made final proof under these conditions, and became a valuable citizen of the state. Not so now. The homesteader must not only comply with the spirit of the law but the letter as well. A hundred eyes are upon every unproved claim and the moment there is the least opening a contest is filed, and a legal battle for the possession of the claim is fought, the expenses of which would have purchased half a dozen quarters a few years ago. The reason for this is that the value of land in this state is just beginning to be realized, and a quarter now is worth a strenuous fight to the man who secures it.

The Hannaford Enterprise is offered for sale. The wide awake little town on the south of us offers a good field for a newspaper man and the business men of the town are willing to give good support to a paper. Whoever buys the Enterprise will drop into a nice business.

With the hundreds of miles of railroads to be built in the state this summer and the many improvements along building lines, North Dakota will furnish work for a large number of men at good wages. There is no place in this union that will see more development than North Dakota this season.

The Grand Forks Evening News and Plaindealer recently issued an illustrated edition, reviewing the work of the Grand Forks fire department, commencing with the volunteer department up to the present paid department. The pictures of pioneer firemen are given and altogether it is a very clever review of the fire fighters of that city. We notice among the number the familiar faces of old pioneers like George H. Walsh, Steve Collins, Major Hamilton, William Budge, John P. Bray, W. J. Murphy, and other citizens who have helped to build up the University city.

There is a faint prospect of peace between Japan and Russia although nothing is very definite along these lines yet. Indications point to peace overtures being made, however, and if the Czar does not change his mind too often and get too whimsical in the matter of settlements the deal may go through. There is one thing sure and that is if Russia don't agree to peace it will get a sound thrashing before they quit. Japan is too much for Russia and the longer peace is delayed the worst it will be for her. A new era of liberty is in sight for the Russian people as a result of this war.

Who Is It?
 A Cooperstown Man Runs Against A Matrimonial Experience Recently.
 Wedding Fixed For Cooperstown Takes Place at Ellis Island.

New York, March 26—There are a lot of folks out at Cooperstown, N. D., who will be disappointed when they hear about the marriage ceremony that was performed at Ellis Island today. A middle aged German couple, the innocent cause of disappointment, protested just as vigorously as they knew how that they didn't want to marry now because invitations had been issued for the event, which had been planned for Cooperstown, but the immigration officials were obdurate. No marriage, no landing was the ruling, and they finally complied.

The bridegroom was a sturdy farmer, who had lived in this country for twenty-five years, and owns a 100 acre farm at Cooperstown. In his younger days, before he came to this country, he had courted a young girl in his native country, but during his absence she married another.

Hearing that the husband had died, he hurried back to Germany two months ago, and won the widow. The news of his good fortune was cabled to his farm in North Dakota, and plans laid for a grand wedding on their return. They came to this country on the Statendam. The detention of the couple at Ellis Island came as a surprise to them.

"Mien Gott," said the angry farmer, "I am dat 50 years older and mein Maria was past 48. Are we childer! Are we nein to be trusted?"

Refusing civil marriage entirely, a compromise was affected and the couple were married by a missionary and left the island declaring they would get married again at Cooperstown just the same.

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MORE LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

Wanted—Laundry girl at Palace Hotel. Good wages.

Frank Smith, of Minneapolis, has accepted a position in S. N. Hall's tonsorial parlor, commencing his duties the first of the week.

Don't forget "Faust" at The Opera House, Friday Night.

Rufus Pinkerton returned home last Monday from Minneapolis where he had been for a couple of months under medical care. He is feeling considerable better.

Mrs. S. Sansburn received a telegram Monday morning stating that her mother was very sick and not expected to live. Mrs. Sansburn left on the afternoon train for Ontario, Canada.

J. H. McDermott was taken very sick last week with rheumatic fever and for several days suffered considerably. He is in the hands of trained nurses and we hope will soon recover and enjoy good health again.

Beier & Hyde have ordered a solid car of millets and seed corn. It will be divided between Hannaford and here. If you want the best the market affords, place your order.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Nichols, Sunday morning, March 26, 1906, a great big bouncing boy. Dr. Westley was in attendance and reports mother and child doing nicely.

Opera House all this week

The Crows.
 A deal was closed last week through The Nelson-Opfer Co. whereby they trade off three quarter sections of land at Finley to D. E. Bryson, of Traer, Iowa, for land near Estavan, Canada.

Mr. L. Meier, of Waukon, Iowa, and Mr. Gus Doehlu, of Lansing, Iowa, were here this week on a deal with The Nelson-Opfer Co. These gentlemen have practically closed a deal where one of them at least will become a resident of this county.

Elmer G. Opfer has opened a real estate office at Minot but still retains his interest in the office here. The Nelson-Opfer Co. will run the two offices together and Opfer will take care of the Minot end of it with Nelson at this end of the line.

Some people were kicking for rain a day or two ago but we opine that they have got plenty for a time now at least. It rained all day Monday and all that night and then some Tuesday, one of those northeasters that come to stay. Seeding has been delayed in consequence.

Chester Loudon, of Maine Prairie, Minn., brother of our jovial drayman, has accepted a position in F. B. King's bicycle shop and those in need of work in that line can get it done quickly and in first class shape. Mr. King is well equipped for taking care of the bicycle and automobile trade this season.

The Colonel's Waterloo.
 Colonel John M. Fuller, of Honey Grove, Texas, nearly met his Waterloo, from Liver and Kidney trouble. In a recent letter, he says: "I was dead, of these complaints, and, although I tried my family doctor, he did me no good: so I got a 50c bottle of your great Electric Bitters, which cured me. I consider them the best medicine on earth, and thank God who gave you the knowledge to make them." Sold, and guaranteed to cure Dyspepsia, Biliousness and Kidney Disease, by H. H. Bateman, druggist, at 50c a bottle.

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 Cooperstown, North Dakota.

W. H. Butler and family have moved into town permanently and are domiciled in the house formerly belonging to Anton Enger.

Mr. N. L. Kelley, of Eagle Grove, Iowa, who recently bought the s of section 2-146-58 came up last week and will locate at Cooperstown. He intends to work real estate for The Nelson-Opfer Co. at Cooperstown and Minot.

Geo. L. Webster, of Eagle Grove, Iowa, and Mrs. E. G. Lewis, of Woolstock, Iowa, were in town this week looking after the latter's farm. She sold the farm known as the Hadlock farm, last fall, but the parties backed out and she had to hustle around to get the farm rented. She rented to a Mr. Payne from Staples, Minn., who will move his family here this week.

The Crows Imperial Stock Company are playing at the opera house here this week. The first two nights were bad ones for the company on account of the heavy rain and wind storm which prevailed, but notwithstanding, the opening night was well attended. Nature's Nobleman, a comedy in four acts was presented Monday night, and as is usual with this company was well staged. The Crows have been here several times before and each visit has left them favorites with the public. They will be here until Saturday night which is their last engagement on this trip.

F. B. King recently ordered for the Rhodes Brothers a fine new 18 horse power gasoline Rambler automobile. The car is to be built from a special design expressly for the purpose of carrying supplies for the farm. The new machine is a "peach" and those Rhodes boys won't do a thing but put the rest of us in the three minute class. Leland Rhodes has purchased the smaller machine from his brothers, and he too, can go some after this.

Farm to Rent.
 Half section farm with buildings, w of 21-146-60. Call on The Nelson-Opfer Co.

Feathered Barometers.
 There are lots of birds which prophesy rain and storm in their actions. Crows, gulls, wild duck, snipe, plovers, woodpeckers, cormorants, wild and tame swans and most of the wading birds show great restlessness when stormy weather is approaching. They fly swiftly and often aimlessly up and down, fluttering from tree to tree and place to place, and usually scream loudly and harshly.—Nature.

Violated the Rules.
 Assistant—Here's an account from your tallor among this morning's letters. He writes on the back that he wants a settlement at once. Editor—Return it with a printed slip stating that communications written on both sides of the paper are unavailable.

An Inherited Quality.
 Mike (the cop)—Faith, an' phwat an' old fashioned kid that is! Katy (the nurse)—Shure it is. An' no wonder that she is, fer some ag' her ancistors lived nearly 400 years ago.—Judge.

Signs.
 Gayboy—I guess my wife expects callers today. "What makes you think so?" "She began the day by making the house unfit for any one to live in."—Life.

Softening It.
 Beethlet—What do you mean by saying I'm the worst actor you ever saw? Coolly—Well, I've no doubt it did seem rather harsh; but, then, you know, there are so many actors I have never seen!—Boston Transcript.

Irritating Iteration.
 "I don't see why you call him stupid. He says a clever thing quite often." "Exactly. He doesn't seem to realize that it should be said only once."—Philadelphia Press.

For the Serious Moment.
 "I hear he refused to take chloroform when he was operated on." "Yes; he said he'd rather take it when he paid his bill!"

For Sale or Rent.
 A section of land 7 miles south of Binford. Apply to Thos. Robertson, Binford, N. D. Sec. 20-146-60.

Railroad Rates and Service.
 The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway, via which line there are five daily trains between St. Paul and Chicago, including the Government Fast Mail and the Pioneer Limited, has a long list of low excursion rates to points in the East and South. If you are contemplating a trip in either direction write W. B. Dixon, Northwestern Passenger Agent, St. Paul, for full particulars before arranging for tickets.

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