

# Supplement to the Cooperstown Courier.

COOPERSTOWN, NORTH DAKOTA, NOVEMBER 23, 1905.

## Through Tourist Sleeping on Four Days of the Week to California via Chicago Great Western Railway.

The Chicago Great Western Railway offers choice of four through tourist cars per week to California: the first leaving Minneapolis 7:40 a. m., St. Paul 8:10 a. m. every Monday; going via Omaha, the Mo. Pacific and Santa Fe, arriving Los Angeles 8:00 a. m. the following Friday. The second leaves Minneapolis 8:00 p. m., St. Paul 8:30 p. m. every Tuesday going via Omaha and the Rock Island Scenic Route, arriving San Francisco 1:28 p. m. Saturday. The third leaves Minneapolis 10:45 p. m., St. Paul 11:20 p. m. every Wednesday going via Kansas City and the Rock Island-El Paso Route, arriving Los Angeles 12:55 p. m. Sunday. The fourth leaves Minneapolis 10:20 a. m., St. Paul 10:50 a. m. every Thursday via Kansas City and the Santa Fe Route, arriving Los Angeles 8:25 a. m., San Diego 12:45 p. m. Monday. For further information apply to R. R. Jones, Trav. Agt. Fargo, N. D.

### Home Visitors' Rates

via Chicago Great Western Railway to points in Iowa, Illinois and Missouri. Tickets on sale November 1st to Dec. 31st. Final return limit April 15th, 1906. For further information apply to R. R. Jones, T. A., 223 Robert St., Fargo, N. D.

### Strayed.

1 brown bronco, weight about 1000, white above hoof on right hind foot, had halter on. Went astray Nov. 13 at Mose, N. D. Parties taking up same please notify me at Cooperstown, N. D. ROBT. BAILEY.

### Rooms for Rent.

In State Bank Building suitable for office and sleeping rooms. JOHN SYVERSON.

## \$25,000 for a Story

One Dollar for Every Six Words.

**M**OST anybody can write a story and lots of people try now-a-days, but it takes a CONAN DOYLE who can create such a character "Sherlock Holmes" to get paid for it at that rate. That is what Conan Doyle is paid for the new story,

## 'Sir Nigel'

Which will commence December 3 and run weekly in the handsome New Sunday Magazine given each Sunday with The Minneapolis Journal. The critics say this is best the story Conan Doyle ever wrote and he is said to regard it as his greatest work.

## Low Thanksgiving Rates

From Cooperstown to any point on Northern Pacific lines in North Dakota, Minnesota, or Wisconsin, tickets will be sold at a fare and one-third for the round trip going Nov. 29th and 30th, and good returning until Dec. 4, 1905. A pleasant holiday trip at small cost. Information from W. J. Payns, Local Agent.

## Northern Pacific Railway

A. M. CLELAND,  
General Passenger Agent,  
St. Paul, Minn.



A Leopard Reached Out His Paw and Gathered in the Tail of Pa's Coat.

are all stiffened up by being out of practice. One man rode around a few times, and pa got up close to the ring, and was making some comments such as: "Why, any condemned fool could ride a horse that way," when the circus gang as quick as you could say scot, fastened a belt around pa's stomach, that had a ring in it, and before he knew it they had hitched a snap in the ring, and pa was hauled up as high as the horse, and his feet rested on the horse's back, and the horse started on a gallop.

Well, sa, pa was never so surprised in his life, but he dug his heels into the horse's back, and tried to look pleasant, and the horse went half way around the ring, and just as pa was getting confidence, some one hit the horse on the ham with a piece of board, and the horse went out from under pa, and he began to fall over backwards, and I thought his circus career would end right there, when the man who had hold of the rope pulled up, and pa was suspended in the air by the ring in the belt, back

looked like corned beef, she said: "For heaven's sake, ain't that elephant that died all been eaten up yet," and then she told pa that they had been fed on that deceased elephant, until they all felt like they had trunks growing out of their heads, and pa poked the meat with his fork, and thought it was elephant, and he lost his appetite, and everybody laughed. I eat some of it, and if it was elephant, it was all right.

Well, when dinner was about over, all filled their glasses to drink to the health of pa, the old stockholder and new manager, and pa got up and bowed, and made a little speech, and when he sat down one of the circus girls was in his chair, and he sat in her lap, and the crowd all yelled, except a Spanish bull-fighter, who seemed to be the husband of the woman, and he wanted pa's blood, but the old circus manager took him away to save pa from trouble, and he glared back at pa, and I think he will stab pa with a dirk knife.

We got out of the dining tent, and

The female kangaroo is surely a wonder, and seems to be built on plans and specifications different from any other animal, cause she has got a fur-lined pouch on her stomach, just like a vest, that she carries her young in. When the babies are frightened they make a hurry-up move towards ma, the pouch opens, and they jump in out of sight, like a gopher going into its hole, and the mother looks around as innocent as can be, as much as to say: "You can search me, I don't know, honestly, where those kids have gone, but they were around here not more than a minute ago." And when the fright is over the two heads peep out of the top of the pouch, and the old man grunts, as much as to say: "O, come on out, there is no danger, and let your ma have a little rest, cause she is nervous," and then the babies come out and run around the cage, and sit up on their hind feet, and look wise. That kangaroo pouch is a success, and I wonder why nature did not provide pouches for all animals to carry their young in. I think Pullman must have got his ideas for the upper and lower berths of a sleeping car by seeing a kangaroo pouch. I am going to study the kangaroo, and make friends with the old man kangaroo, 'cause he looks as though he had troubles of his own.

Pa showed up without any coat, while I was kangarooing, and there was a rip in his pants, and I asked him what was the trouble, and he said he got too near the cage of a leopard, that seemed to be asleep, and the traitor reached out his paw and gathered in the tail of pa's coat, and just snatched it off his back as though it was made of paper.

Pa is a little discouraged about his experience in the circus the first day, but he says it will be great when we get the run of the business. He says every day will have its excitement. Tomorrow they are going to extract a tooth from the boa-constrictor, and pa and I are going to help hold him, while the animal dentist pulls the tooth, and then we scrub the rhinoceros, and all the hippopotamus, and get everything ready to start out on the road, and I can't write any more in my diary until after we fix the snake. Gee, but he is as long as a clothesline.

Tongues Along the Danube.  
Fifty-two languages and dialects are spoken along the banks of the Danube.



lated. Nothing appeared to be disturbed. Yet when the inner vault was reached and the safe opened the \$18,832 placed there the Saturday night before was gone.

Who had taken it?

It seemed ridiculous to accuse Bowsheer, the janitor, of manipulating the burglar-proof locks and then placing them again in the condition they were when found.

If not the work of skilled professional burglars, the robbery must, so it was reasoned, have been done by the bank officers, and during all these years the cashier and vice president, Mr. Kalb and Mr. Michael, have been under the ban of suspicion. Their names, spotless before, were tarnished unjustly with the crime of theft.

Officers Suspected of Crime.  
Immediately after the robbery the Pinkerton agency and a score of private detectives, some of them paid and others influenced by the large rewards offered, went to work on the case. Following the clue that it was the bank officers that did it, Cashier Kalb and

handling he took Wilkins into his confidence. On the morning after the robbery, Mrs. Wilkins related, her husband came home with his pockets stuffed with money, several thousands of dollars in bills of duerent denominations and gold coin. He was somewhat under the influence of liquor at the time and did not know where to hide the money.

"Well, Life has done the job," he said, "and this is my share of it."

Finally the money was hidden in a torn sofa at their home, and from this place it was taken as each needed it, from time to time—a fortune in their possession, and yet it did not bring them happiness.

In a few years the money was all gone. Finally, for neglect and cruelty, she obtained a divorce from him, leaving soon after to reside with an uncle near Fort Wayne, Ind.

Within a few months Wilkins followed her and for a time their differences were patched up and they lived together, only to be separated again by his dissipation

### SOLVED

### Crime Behind

### GUILTY MEN

He returned to Lima. Thither she followed him, vainly endeavoring to get money for her support. It was then the blow was struck that made her resolve to tell all.

Plan to Secure Evidence.  
The story she told Deputy Sheriff Freet, while presenting a strong case, lacked the convincing proof necessary to secure conviction. The deputy sheriff reported the matter to William Klinger, the prosecuting attorney of the county, and it was then the plan was formed to entrap Bowsheer and Wilkins and secure evidence that would convict them on their own testimony, and in this act of the drama Mrs. Wilkins was to play the star part.

With the knowledge she possessed, it was not a hard matter for her to arrange a meeting with the two implicated men. The meeting was held in a



Michael were arrested the grand jury, es against them were issued because of lack y were believed by J. er, the janitor, was ar; however, could be him and he was re-lima bank robbery con- y that baffled solution e best detective talent

ue to Woman.  
r a woman, neglected, scorned—refused the part, had quieted her rth the evidence that t of the guilty party, and her husband, sins, an accomplice in woman was the di- Wilkins. Ten years ago woman at Lima, the ading railroad official, y and accomplished years after her mar- did not know what dns was the son of a r at Lima, a man of lth, and at the time of ad but just been ad- actice of law and had re.

at few years of their young couple lived in the handsomest resi- But, as they do in d lives, the days of e came and then Mrs. r and obtained a di- denied the payment of d denied money from solved to tell the se- t so many years.

Is Accused.  
told to A. L. Freet, t at Lima, who, of her e took into her confi- that Bowsheer commi- and that Wilkins was ore and after the fact- stance, was that Bow- told Wilkins that it would be for him

th the money after he avoid suspicion, both- or its investment and

house at Lima which she was tempor- rily making her home. It was fixed up previously by the officers for the meeting and arranged so that they could hear the entire conversation between the three without being seen.

It was a story and a half house. A hole was cut through the ceiling above the room in which the meeting was held, the lath and plaster being re- moved, but leaving the paper on. This was, however, perforated with small holes so as to allow the sounds from below to come through. Located in this garret, one could hear a conversation held in the room below.

In this garret previous to the meet- ing of Mrs. Wilkins with Wilkins and Bowsheer three men were concealed, Deputy Sheriff Freet, Walter M. Scott, the court stenographer, and a private detective. Each of them had mega- phones. They could hear distinctly the slightest whisper, and the court stenographer could transcribe every word of the conversation.

Immediately after the arrival of Wilkins and Bowsheer, Mrs. Wilkins renewed her plea to Wilkins for his payment of the monthly alimony allowed her by the court in the divorce proceedings. Both men were given to understand that this must be paid.

Then began a discussion between Bowsheer and Wilkins as to the abilities of each to pay and what they had done with the stolen money.

How Robbery Was Executed.  
At last the payments of the alimony seemed to be arranged by Bowsheer agreeing to fix it, and then Mrs. Wilkins, for the benefit of the auditors in the garret above, guided the conversation into a narration of how the robbery was planned and executed.

"Tell us, Life," she said, "how you did the job at the bank. I have often wanted to know." And then Bowsheer told the story of how he had taken the money from the bank vault.

He had been around so long as janitor that he had learned much about the mechanism of the vault locks. He was satisfied that he could allow him- self to be locked in the vault and then work himself out again.

This is what he did on the night of the robbery, using as his tools only an ordinary wrench and a screwdriver of a common kind. When Cashier Kalb and Vice President Michael were pre- paring that night to close up the bank Bowsheer slipped into the vault unob- served and was locked in. By unfast- ening thumb screws and bolts to the inner and outer doors he worked his way to the bank office again within a few moments after the officers left it.

With the combination to the inside safe he secured the money, then, fixing the vault doors and leaving the outer one ajar, he had the scheme fixed to fasten suspicion on the bank officers.

"This was the story he told, given here in substance only. Every word of it, with the entire conversation be- tween him and Wilkins and his wife, was taken down by the stenographer in the garret above and convincing evi- dence of the guilt of the two men was fixed.

Their arrest followed. For a few days each denied his guilt. Finally, seeing the web so closely woven about him, Bowsheer confessed and, going with the prosecuting attorney and the sheriff to the bank, showed them just how he had committed the robbery.

He allowed himself to be locked in the vault, the combination locks to both doors and the time lock being set, and in eight minutes he had worked himself out.

Guilty Men Sent to Jail.  
On the following day he appeared in court, pleaded guilty and received his sentence. Wilkins held out for a few days longer and then confessed to hav- ing received part of the stolen money.

### RETURNS AFTER 25 YEARS

Left Home When He Was Seven to Battle with the World—Fought in the Wars.

Marion, O.—After being separated from his parents for a quarter of a century, John R. Gordon returned to this city suddenly. Owing to some troubles in his home, Gordon left when seven years old. Going out among strangers to battle for himself, he located in West Virginia until the Spanish-American war broke out, when he enlisted and went to the Philip- pines. At the expiration of his time he returned to this country and secured employment. His anxiety in regard to his dear old mother, who, since his departure, has become the wife of Robert Thomas, gave him the feeling that he would again live to clasp her in his arms.

On arriving in the city he made his way to her home. Both wept for joy until the mother collapsed from the excitement.

### EXPERIMENT WITH AIRSHIP

Professor Zahn of Washington Dis- covers the Best Shape for a Balloon Part.

Washington, D. C.—A grant of \$500 was made last year by the Smithsonian institution from the Hodkins fund to Dr. A. F. Zahn, professor of physical science in the Catholic university, for a series of experiments on atmos- pheric resistance to moving bodies. Prof. Zahn completed the experiments some months ago, but has not ceased his investigations of aerial resistance.

Dr. Zahn holds that Secretary Lang- ley has proved that the aerodrome, as finally constructed, will not only fly, but will carry the weight of one man, the problem now to be solved being the mode of managing the craft when it is in the air.

Dr. Zahn proved that the best shape for the balloon part of the air- ship was that following the lines of the modern submarine torpedo.

### Modern Animals.

"It is a great mistake to conclude that it is a law of nature that recent animals are all small and insignificant as compared with their representatives in the past," says a scientist. "That is simply not true. Recent horses are bigger than extinct ones, and much bigger than the three-toed and four-toed an- cestors of horses. Recent elephants are as big as any that have existed, and much bigger than their early ele- phantine ancestors. There never has been any creature of any kind—mam- mal, reptile, bird or fish—in any geo- logical period we know of so big as some of the existing whales."

### Frozen Deep.

The soil of Siberia at the close of the summer is found still frozen for 56 inches beneath the surface, and the dead that have lain in their coffins for 150 years have been taken up un- changed in the least.

### His Favorite.

First Insurance Magnate—What is your favorite theatrical production? Second Insurance Magnate—"Other Peoples' Money." — Baltimore Ameri- can.