

Official Directory.

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COUNTY OFFICERS.
 Commissioners—R. C. Cooper, chairman, N. C. Rukke and Ole Halvorsen.
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 Supt. of Schools—Dr. T. F. Kerr.
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 Coroner—Dr. G. F. Newell.
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 Constables—J. H. Atchison, Allan Pinkerton, C. H. Johnson, M. L. Michale.

The Railroad Act.

In the railroad and wheat bill, it will be observed that the commissioners are to keep an eye on the railroads, to inform the railroads of their duties, and omissions of duty, and to report everything to their governor. This will tickle the governor, and tend to make him intelligent. This information will reach the legislature, presumably by the governor's message. If the corporation is shown to be in default, the next legislature can teach it that there is a God in Israel, by passing more stringent measures. If, however, our solons are elected because they have received nominations, or can afford to "put up," or because they "want their wants," or because it is supposed a sow's ear will develop into a silk purse under proper conditions, the last stage will be worse than the first, and the commissioner report will amount to nothing.

The commissioners have, however, some more tangible duties and responsibilities:

1. They shall direct the railroad companies to construct sidings and switches, to warehouses and elevators demanding the same.

2. When complaint is made by the authorities of a county or town, charging the railroad with injustice in its dealing with the public, they shall examine the case and report to the governor.

It is declared that: "All cases of a failure to comply with the recommendation of the commission shall apply to any unjust discrimination, extortion, or over charge by said company, or other violations of law."

If this quoted clause means that the finding of the commission shall be evidence in cases brought against the railroad by individuals, it will be the most important duty of the commissioners to determine the cases brought by the authorities, not because the matter will be reported to the governor, but because it will be securing evidence for the benefit of individuals.

The great victory of the bill is in the provision that all men may build warehouses,—large, small, public, or private, and connect them with the railroads, and get uniform shippers' rates. The thievery that has been practiced at the elevators, by undergrading, must cease, unless the parties would close their doors. The provision that the freight tariff shall be uniform "upon like conditions" will effect the shipper from the wagon or sleigh, but not the warehouseman to any great extent, as the conditions among warehousemen will be substantially the same.

That stage must have been tipped over in Applegate creek Ore. by a rush of "big fish" about March 4th. The Sheyenne was also bulged a little in the center about that time. The petitions from our Dakota democrats, fer office, have gone up to the presidential throne by the thousand yards. Ziebach is supposed to be in the lead for governor, with D. W. Maratta for marshal. The post offices will be raffled off at Pat Kelly's place on the 4th of July.

"We are running a little smoother now," said a Dakota passenger on a Missouri railroad. "Yes," said the conductor, "the dum train has jumped the track. We'll strike it again though at Red Mike's, near the timber over that. Mike and the boys are going to hold up the train, if this cussed accident don't delay us, and I'll get 'em to help us on the track agin."—Advent Messenger.

There is nothing like knowing how to please the public, said the quill-driver, as he saw the funeral procession of his rival file past on its way to the cemetery; whereupon he proceeded to inform the public that he was "pleased to see the editor of his alleged contemporary out again."

Louis Bachus, who killed Lay, in Chicago, for insultingly refusing to marry

his sixteen year old daughter, after seducing her, has been found guilty of manslaughter, and will get four years in the penitentiary, unless pardoned by the governor.

The word "blizzard" was coined by an old chap named Ellis, at Estherville, Iowa, in 1866. The Northern Vindicator, a weekly paper at that point, first applied the term to a bad storm. The word "boom" came from a lumbering town on the Wisconsin river. Pilmunky had a boom. At a rival town the current was so swift it could not get one, which resulted to the advantage of Pilmunky,—hence the term.

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Ro-d Petition.

Territory of Dakota, County of Griggs ss.

To the Board of County Commissioners of said county:
 The undersigned freeholders residing within the immediate neighborhood of the route hereintofor mentioned and described for a public road, do hereby petition you to cause to be laid out and opened a public road of the width of 60 feet, as follows: Commencing at the northeast corner of section 1, township 146, range 58, in said county, and running from thence in a westerly direction on the most eligible route to the quarter stake on the north side of section 1, township 156, range 59, said road to follow the township line between 146 and 147, as nearly as possible.

The names of the owners of land over which the same is to pass are, John E. Quale, John Arneson, A. C. Knudson, John M. Dahl, Theodore F. Kerr.
 And your petitioners pray that the said road may be laid out and opened according to law.

Syver Sverson. Esten Johnson.
 H. E. Holbe. Gilbert Olson.
 Ole Olson. Osmund Nelson.
 Endre J. Vikner. John H. Eagan.
 Nels Nelson. Rufus Pinkerton.
 Robert Pinkerton. James A. Ames.
 Allan Pinkerton. 8-10

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Feb. 3, 1885. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and secure final entry thereon on the 25th day of March, 1885, viz: Ole Olson, D. S. No. 11,303, for the n-w 1/4 of sec. 14, Twp 147, n. range 58 w., and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Carl A. Fliseram, Ander A. Anderson, John Johnson, Knudt Halvorsen, all of Bonanza, Griggs county, D. T.

The testimony to be taken before John N. Jorgensen, clerk of district court, at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 23d day of March, A. D. 1885, at his office.
 HORACE AUSTIN, Register.
 Jacobson & Oie, attorneys. 4-9

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