

Official Directory.

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Political Bosses.

A political boss, especially in this territory, ought to have a large salary, to compensate him for the slings and arrows, incident to his rule. He is continually frittering away time and money in advancing, by puffing and trickery, the interests of this disreputable friend or that, only to have his political creature peacock it over him, as soon as an opportunity offers.

He, beholding his power on the outside, reserves what he imagines to be a powerful head of steam to boost himself into some office particularly attractive—usually it is a congressional or a senatorial position.

"All ready, Mr. Engineer. Let on the steam. The candidate is on board. Here we go!" (Pish—h—pish—pish—fizzle—squizzle—). "What is the matter, Mr. Engineer? Why don't we move along?"

"Well, our steam is mostly cold wind, the cylinder leaks, and the old engine is rotten, anyhow."

This is the common experience of the boss.

He is obnoxious to every politician, except those he, himself, despises.

He is railed at by everybody, that, in the performance of his self-imposed sculduggery, he runs foul of, while his friends cheerfully deliver him up to be crucified as soon as an opportunity offers.

He is a scape goat for his own worthless progeny of political bastards.

His one virtue is his fidelity to his friends.

This is one virtue more than they possess.

When they write themselves under the gate into the political pasture, on the greasy sweat of his brow, they make up their minds that they can't afford to writhe and pay the boss for his sweat, too boot.

Without knowing it, he is a clump of such magnitude as to arouse in the beholder a feeling of sublimity, rather than that of scorn or pity. This is true, not of one boss, but of the majority of bosses.

Election Tuesday November 3d.

A commissioner for the Third district, a coroner, a surveyor, a justice, and a constable, are to be elected.

Mr. N. C. Rukke is the commissioner from the Third district, and if he is in the field, it is to be hoped he will be re-elected. He has been a competent and faithful officer, and any move looking toward a successor for him should be scanned, lest the ordinary desire for a change of officers result in more harm than good. If any person is put forward as a candidate to succeed him (and we have heard of none,) let him be an intelligent and an honest man, who will attend faithfully to his duties, since upon the board of commissioners rests, in a great measure, the welfare of the county. In any event, the office will have more responsibility, than profit.

The coronership is an office of no small importance. He is liable at any time to be called upon to act as sheriff, where the sheriff is a party to an action or proceeding, and his ordinary duties demand judgment and clerical ability. Dr. G. F. Newell is the present incumbent; but does not desire the office. J. H. McDermott has been suggested as an available man, and he would make a good officer.

The office of surveyor is vacant, Martin A. Ueland, elected last fall, failing to qualify. Here is a chance for some good man desirous of holding down a fat job.

A justice of the peace is to be elected. He should, it is admitted by everybody, be a permanent resident of Cooperstown. Available men for this office are numerous, but few seem anxious to have J. P. attached to their cognomens. Among available names are those of G. F. Newell, H. Retzlaff, John Syverson, Byron Andrus, W. C. Jamison, Wm.

Class, H. S. Pickett, and Knud Thompson.

Two constables are to be elected, and we have plenty of good material at hand.

The Lenham Elevator company has issued a circular to the farmers, stating that they have advanced the price of wheat at their elevators to meet Valley City competition, as stated in the COURIER of September 25.

This is a move in the right direction. Now, if this company, and other grain dealers, will be as prompt in wiring their elevators when the market strengthens, as they are when it falls off, another move will have been made in the right direction. An advance of several cents per bushel Saturday night, to be followed Monday morning by a drop, is a hollow mockery. This is a matter of public interest, and we hope yet to see grain flowing into Cooperstown, as at no other point.

Answers to Correspondents.

M. C. Your conundrum, "Why should the Cooperstown barber be able to forecast the weather?" is not even No. 7 northern; it went rejected. It is a poor story if an honest barber can not have a barometer in his shop without being at the mercy of every vagrant punster.

A. J. Your conundrum as to why John Syverson, when he sells 16 pounds of sugar for a dollar, is like John L. Sullivan is No. 3 northern; and only 50 cents per bushel. He has, it is true, plenty of sand; but he doesn't use it in his sugar.

X. If your grandfather did, when he was dying, look up, lucidly, and exclaim, "Where am I?" and his jovial friends did sportively remark, "In the inebriate asylum" whereupon your grandparent said, "I thought so, from the company present," and fell over dead, it doesn't follow that the tale is suited for our columns. We return you the manuscript.

Myrtle R. Your poem shows that you have a great deal of talent, or else you are a little off. Soak your feet on retiring every evening, and you may not feel so lurid. Just send us the plain facts next time, and we will throw the poetic glamor over them. We can't publish any poem where "silver sheen" is made to rhyme with "wolverine"—it is insulting to the "sheen", which is a staple article in our office.

Col. Pat Donan, "of Dakota," has just been appointed special commissioner of the West and Northwest at the World's exposition, at New Orleans. In addition to this, he has recently come into possession of 175,000,000 acres of the finest timber lands in Tennessee, and we learn by the El Dorado, of the city of Mexico, that he is about to lead to the hymenial altar Snorting Isabella Mariarh Infanteize Victoria Alfonso Dom Pedro Lopez, a beautiful Spanish belle, the only child of Signor Don Alferdo Silly de la Moenshine Looez; high lord Hidalgo of Chihuahua.—Chicago Sun.

Farmer—(Opens the bank door). O! I made a mistake in the place.

Banker—(With the hay fever). Yes, I am not running a saloon, at present.

Farmer—Well, I just saw your nose through the window, young man. No harm done. Good-day.

Banker—Go to!

That is true. After a lady arrives at a certain age, if a man proposes to her she takes the broom to him. She thinks he is making fun of her.

Delegate Gifford is reported to take considerable stock in the scheme of dividing Dakota on the Missouri river, east of Bismarck, leaving Bismarck the capital of the new territory. The new territory will probably be called McKenzie's Preserve.

"Is Judge Francis a crank?" is the query at Mandan.

From over the river comes in stentorian tones: "No, he is a solid Bismarcker."

"Queen City," "Gem City," "Garden City," are terms applied by some of our exchanges to the dog kennel towns in which they live. How is "Mud City," "Starvation City," "Boom City," "Riot City," "Bankrupt City," for a change?

Terrible place that Iowa. Immense damage again done by a cyclone, from Sioux City to Marion City. Buildings splintered to tooth picks, and borne away to the North Pole; white showers of human flesh occur in adjoining counties.

Will H. Kopman, the new associate editor of the Northwood Headlight, is a poet of no little genius.

Dan Maratta says he is not a candidate for any office. He is probably in Washington for his health.

The Dakota fair, at Huron, is over and gone. It was a success. The second day 8,000 people were on the ground.

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE—Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage, duly executed and delivered by Ole Thon and Mary Thon, his wife, mortgagors, to D. S. B. Johnston, mortgagee, bearing date the 10th day of May, A. D. 1882, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds of Griggs county, Dakota territory, on the 29th day of May, A. D. 1882, at 9:30 o'clock a. m., in book "A" of mortgages, on page 39, and there is claimed to be due and payable at the date of this notice the sum of thirty-nine and fifteen one hundredths (\$39.15) dollars, and no action or proceeding at law or otherwise having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof: Now therefore, notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed and the premises described in and covered by said mortgage, viz: the northwest quarter (nw 1/4) of section two (2) of township one hundred and forty-four (144) of range fifty-nine (59), in Griggs county, Dakota territory, with the hereditaments and appurtenances, will be sold at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, to pay said debt and interest, and said taxes, and twenty-five dollars attorney's fees, as stipulated in and by said mortgage in case of foreclosure, and the disbursements allowed by law; which sale will be made by the sheriff of said Griggs county, at the front door of the court house, in the village of Cooperstown, in said county and territory, on the 16th day of October, A. D. 1885, at 10 o'clock a. m., of that day.

Dated July 18, 1885. D. S. B. JOHNSTON, Mortgagee. C. D. Lansing, Bismarck, D. T., Wm. C. Bennett, St. Paul, Minn., attorneys for mortgagee. 30-3

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE—Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage, duly executed and delivered by Knudt Peterson and Keresi, his wife, mortgagors, to D. S. B. Johnston, Charles L. Johnston and Horace Hance, copartners under the firm name of D. S. B. Johnston, Son & Hance, mortgagees, bearing date the 21 day of June, A. D. 1884, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds of Griggs county, Dakota territory, on the 5th day of June, A. D. 1884, at 2:30 o'clock p. m., in book E of mortgages, on page 48, and there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice the sum of six hundred and 35/100 (\$625.35) dollars, and no action or proceeding at law or otherwise having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof: Now therefore, notice is hereby given that by virtue of a power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed, and the premises described in and covered by said mortgage, viz: the southeast quarter (se 1/4) of section thirty-two (32) of township one hundred and forty-four (144) of range fifty-nine (59), in Griggs county, Dakota Territory, with the hereditaments and appurtenances, will be sold at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, to pay said debt and interest, and twenty-five dollars attorney's fees, as stipulated in and by said mortgage in case of foreclosure, and the disbursements allowed by law; which sale will be made by the sheriff of said Griggs county, at the front door of the court house, in the village of Cooperstown, in said county and territory, on the 5th day of November, A. D. 1885, at 10 o'clock a. m. of that day.

Dated September 2, A. D. 1885. D. S. B. JOHNSTON, CHARLES L. JOHNSTON, HORACE HANCE, Mortgagees. C. D. Lansing, Bismarck, D. T., Wm. C. Bennett, St. Paul, Minn., attorneys for mortgagees. 35-41

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE—Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage, duly executed and delivered by Thomas Knudson and Turine Knudson, his wife, mortgagors, to D. S. B. Johnston, Charles L. Johnston and Horace Hance, copartners under the firm name of D. S. B. Johnston, Son & Hance, mortgagees, bearing date the 21 day of June, A. D. 1884, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds of Griggs county, Dakota territory, on the 5th day of June, A. D. 1884, at 3:30 o'clock p. m., in book E of mortgages, on page 48; and there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice the sum of fifty-one and 84/100 (\$51.84) dollars, and no action or proceeding at law or otherwise having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof: Now therefore, notice is hereby given, that by virtue of a power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed, and the premises described in and covered by said mortgage, viz: the northeast quarter (ne 1/4) of section thirty-two (32) of township one hundred and forty-four (144) of range fifty-nine (59), in Griggs county, Dakota, with the hereditaments and appurtenances, will be sold at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, to pay said debt and interest, and twenty-five dollars attorney's fee, as stipulated in and by said mortgage in case of foreclosure, and the disbursements allowed by law; which sale will be made by the sheriff of said county, at the front door of the court house, in the village of Cooperstown in said county and territory, on the 5th day of November, A. D. 1885, at 10 o'clock a. m., of that day.

Dated September 2, 1885. D. S. B. JOHNSTON, CHARLES L. JOHNSTON, HORACE HANCE, Mortgagees. C. D. Lansing, Bismarck, D. T., Wm. C. Bennett, St. Paul, Minn., attorneys for mortgagee. 35-41

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE—Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage, duly executed and delivered by William Brownfield, mortgagor, to D. S. B. Johnston, Charles L. Johnston and Horace Hance, copartners under the firm name of D. S. B. Johnston, Son & Hance, mortgagees, bearing date the 30th day of June, A. D. 1884, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds of Griggs county, Dakota Territory, on the second day of July, A. D. 1884, at 4:20 o'clock p. m., in book E of mortgages, on page 49; and there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice the sum of fifty-one and 84/100 (\$51.84) dollars, and no action or proceeding at law or otherwise having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof: Now therefore, notice is hereby given, that by virtue of a power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed, and the premises described in and covered by said mortgage, viz: the southwest quarter (sw 1/4) of section twenty-four (24) of township one hundred and forty-six (146), of range sixty (60), in Griggs county, Dakota, with the hereditaments and appurtenances, will be sold at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, to pay said debt and interest, and twenty-five dollars attorney's fee, as stipulated in said mortgage in case of foreclosure, and the disbursements allowed by law; which sale will be made by the sheriff of said Griggs county, at the front door of the court house, in the village of Cooperstown, in said county and territory, on the 5th day of November, A. D. 1885, at 10:10 o'clock a. m., of that day.

Dated August 30, 1885. D. S. B. JOHNSTON, CHARLES L. JOHNSTON, HORACE HANCE, Mortgagees. C. D. Lansing, Bismarck, D. T., Wm. C. Bennett, St. Paul, Minn., att'ys for mortgagees. 35-41

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Sept. 2, 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 before the U. S. land office, at Fargo, D. T., on the 17th day of November, 1885, viz: Meroy D. Pickard, H. E. No. 15,940, for the w 1/2 n w 1/4 and w 1/2 s w 1/4 of sec. 1, tp 148 n, r 61 w, H. E. No. 15,941, for the w 1/2 n w 1/4 and w 1/2 s w 1/4 of sec. 2, tp 148 n, r 61 w, her witnesses, viz: James R. Stephenson, D. S. No 16,668 for the sec 4 of sec 24, tp 140 n, r 61 w, and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Frank Gorth, David Gorth, D. D. McDaniel, Nettie Peters, all of Cooperstown postoffice, Griggs county D. T. The testimony herein to be taken before John N. Jorgensen, clerk of the district court, at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 19th day of October, A. D. 1885, at his office. 34-29 HORACE AUSTIN, Register. Wm. Glass, att'y.

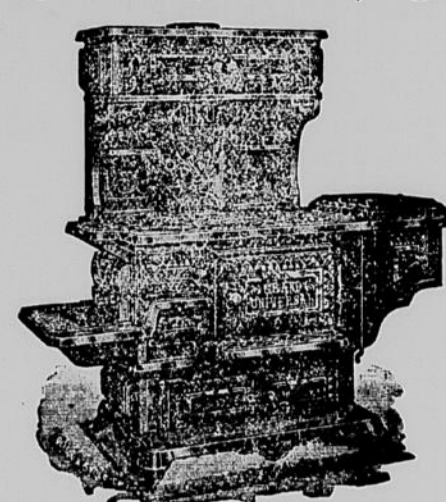
NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Sep. 23, 1885.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of her claim and secure final entry thereof before the U. S. land office, at Fargo, D. T., on the 17th day of November, 1885, viz: Meroy D. Pickard, H. E. No. 15,940, for the w 1/2 n w 1/4 and w 1/2 s w 1/4 of sec. 1, tp 148 n, r 61 w, her witnesses, viz: Charles H. Johnson, Ezra W. Hestery, Eli Jah S. Hamilton, Joseph McCullough, all of Willow postoffice, Griggs county, D. T. The testimony herein to be taken before the judge of the district court of Griggs county, D. T., or in his absence, before John N. Jorgensen, clerk of the district court, at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 13th day of October, A. D. 1885, at his office. 37-42 Jacobson & Ole, att'ys.

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