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We would not undertake to state positively that the President has taken our advice as to appointments to judicial offices in the different territories; but it looks like it. At any rate the COURIER agrees with the policy that selects competent judges, removed from the personal and political feuds of a new territory. The following is a list of the late appointments:

- Louis K. Church, of New York, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Dakota.
William W. Porter, of California, Associate Justice of the supreme Court of Arizona.
Wm. H. Barnes, of Illinois, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Arizona.
John C. Shields, of Michigan, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Arizona.
Evan Long, of Indiana, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of New Mexico.
Louis K. Church, of New York, gazetted to the Dakota bench, is a son of Judge Sanford E. Church, and a lawyer of excellent reputation practicing in New York City. His home is at Albuon, Orleans county.

We presume that Mr. Church has had a law practice that is slightly different from that of the ordinary Dakota aspirant to judicial honors, where a contused eye affords a revenue of ten dollars in the morning, and a stuffed county-seat ballot box, one of a thousand dollars, (in county warrants), in the afternoon; and that he does not know nor care what a rascal Boss McGafferty is, nor what a mighty influence the editor of the Pearine Pot-pie has with the intelligent masses; but knows the law, and proposes to administer it. The trouble with this breed of judges is that they wish to resign, and strike out for congress at the earliest moment. Mr. Church is of a family of jurists, and it is to be supposed that he likes his job. At any rate, if he ever wiggles in the bench, as if to resign, we hope an outraged populace will lynch him.

For three years the money changers have been making a golden harvest. Money, in small sums, has been worth (or, rather, it would bring) 60 per cent, while wheat, oats, and barley, potatoes, butter, and farm produce generally, have been too cheap to permit the borrower of money, at exorbitant rates, to live. Real estate has been a drug in the market. Money, with a big M, and the rest of the word in italics, has been king, in Dakota. To-day, money is a drug in the market. A beneficent Providence has killed the demand. Farm produce, brings a good price, and real estate is no longer a nightmare to the owner. Dakota is now on the financial upgrade; and the weak-kneed settler, who goes east for the winter, will, if he knows his business, purchase a return ticket, and save a few dollars.

The convention in the north resulted in the nomination of N. C. Rukke for commissioner. Thirteen votes were polled, of which Mr. Rukke had seven, and Mr. Buchheit, six. A nomination of either of these gentlemen ought to be acceptable. Mr. Rukke is now the regular republican nominee.

Mr. Dodge, the statistician of the bureau of agriculture, draws some interesting inference in the current crop report from the late census of Dakota. He says:

"The progress of settlement in Dakota has been a marvel of activity and enterprise. In 1880 the population was 135,137. The present territorial census makes it 415,664, of which there is in South Dakota 262,515, and 153,149 in North Dakota. The number of farms in 1880 was 17,435. They are now reported at 82,467, of which 44,656 are in the Southern section, and 37,811 in the Northern section. So eager has been the quest for free farms in this easily cultivated region, that the territory outranks 17 of the 38 states in the number of existing farms. It will be a surprise to many that the number of farms in Dakota in 1885 is greater than was the number in Nebraska in 1880. It exceeds

the number in Maine, and of course that of every other New England state. It surpasses the aggregate of California at that date, and of Maryland and Delaware. It is greater than the combined number of Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut, and more than all of the farms of Oregon, Nevada and Colorado, in the West, and Rhode Island Delaware and Florida, in the East, the six states taken together; nor are these farms all skeleton homesteads. There are five times as many people in the territory as there are farms, and production looms grandly. In the estimates of this department of 500,000,000 bushels of wheat last year, Dakota took position as the eleventh in rank in wheat production. No state east of the Alleghenies, or south of the Ohio, stood before it, and even Wisconsin held a lower place."

And yet the editor of the COURIER will sell 580 acres of improved land, within 2 1/2 miles of two different villages and elevators, at \$7.50 per acre, if taken at once.

Scribe—What's the matter of Dr. Brown's patient, Dr. Smith?

Dr. Smith—He has got softening of the brain.

Scribe—How do you make that out?

Dr. Smith—I don't make it out. It makes itself out. If he hadn't got softening of the brain he wouldn't be Brown's patient. See?

Wanted to be Cashier.

"So you want to be a bank cashier, eh?" said the junior clerk in the Cooperstown bank to a lean, lank, youth, with a shock of strawberry hair, and a wild-goose mouth. "Well, as the boss is pretty busy, I'll have to hire you for three months. Mr. Teller, please put the ball and chain on his leg. What! You want wear a ball and chain? Well, you can go to thunder, and clean spittoons on shares." Here the boss came in, the young man slipped out, and all you could hear was the scratch of the clerk's pen.

End of the World.

An Italian prophet announces the destruction of the world next November, and arranges the programme as follows: The dissolution will begin on the 15th and will last fifteen days, viz: First day, sea will overflow. Second day, the water will penetrate the soil. Third day, death of fresh water fish. Fifth day, death of birds. Sixth, fall of houses and buildings. Seventh day, fall of the rocks. Eighth day, an earthquake. Ninth day, fall of mountains. Tenth day, men become dumb. Eleventh day, the graves will open. Twelfth day, rain of stars. Thirteenth day, death of all mankind. Fourteenth day, destruction of heaven and earth. Fifteenth day, general resurrection and final judgment."

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Notice of Sheriff's Sale.

TERRITORY OF DAKOTA, COUNTY OF GRIGGS, In Justice Court. Lieny L. Hubbard, plaintiff, vs. Alexander Nicholl, defendant. Notice is hereby given, that by virtue of an execution to me delivered, and now in my hands, issued out of the justice court, Territory of Dakota, in and for the county of Griggs, upon a judgment rendered in said court in favor of Lieny L. Hubbard against Alexander Nicholl, I have received upon the following described personal property of said defendant, to-wit: One hog, two years old, and that I shall, on Saturday, the 7th day of November, 1885, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, at the residence of Lieny L. Hubbard, on sec 34, town 146, range 61, in said county and territory, proceed to sell the right, title and interest of the above named defendant, Alexander Nicholl, in and to the above described property, to satisfy said judgment and costs amounting to \$23.42, together with all accruing costs of levy and sale, at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash.

ALAN FRICKERTON, Sheriff Griggs Co., D. T. Iver Jacobson, plaintiff's attorney. Dated Cooperstown, D. T., Oct. 24, 1885. 41-42

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Oct. 23, 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 thereof on the 11th day of December, 1885, viz: John O. Keath, H. E. No. 19,289, for the e 1/2 sec 34 and w 1/2 of sec 35, tp 148n, r 59w, and names the following as his witnesses, viz: John Krogstad, Sigward Tande, T. R. Tobanson, Fingard Larson, all of Lee postoffice, Nelson county, D. T.

The testimony to be taken before John N. Jorgensen, clerk of the district court, at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 7th day of December, A. D. 1885, at his office. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. 41-46

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Oct. 23, 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 that said proof will be made before John N. Jorgensen, clerk of the district court, at Cooperstown, D. T., on December 8, 1885, viz: Martha M. Olson, as agent of Gustav Olson, for the w 1/2 nw 1/4 and w 1/2 sw 1/4 of sec. 12, tp 146, r 58.

She names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: John N. Dahl, Christopher Bohn, John Tordn Samu, K. Norgard, all of Mandell, Griggs county, D. T. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. Patin & Serungard, att'ys. 41-46

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Oct. 12, 1885. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of her intention to make final proof in support of her claim and secure final entry thereof on the 31 day of Dec., 1885, viz: Knud J. Alfstad, D. S. No. 14,870, for the northeast quarter of sec 28, tp 147n, r 60w, and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Knud O. Melby, Albert Larson, John Anderson, and Christen K. Melby, all of Jesse, Griggs county, D. T.

The testimony of claimant and witnesses to be taken before John N. Jorgensen, clerk of the district court, at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 30th day of Nov., A. D. 1885, at his office. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. Jacobson & Ole, attorneys. 40-45

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 491; and there 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 hereunto and appended maps, to be taken by the auctioneer, at the highest bidder for cash, to pay the 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 office in the village of Cooperstown, in said county and territory, on the 5th day of November, A. D. 1885, at 10:00 o'clock a. m. of that day.

D. S. B. JOHNSTON, CHARLES L. JOHNSTON, HORACE HANCE, Mortgagees. Dated, August 30, 1885. 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. 15, 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 that said proof will be made before the U. S. Land office at Fargo, D. T., on the 17th day of November, 1885, and that I expect to prove my residence before John N. Jorgensen, clerk of the district court, at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 13th day of Nov., 1885, viz: Gilbert P. Olson, D. S. No. 14668, for the e 1/2 sec 34 and e 1/2 sec 10, tp 147n, range 60w. He names the following witness to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of said land, viz: Jacob H. Myhre, Ole K. Olson, John Paulson, August Engel, all of Jesse postoffice, Griggs county, D. T. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. Jacobson & Ole, attorneys. 37-42

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