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### TIME TABLE.

#### S. C. & T. M. RAILROAD.

Trains make the round trip every day, except  
Sunday, leaving Cooperstown at 8:35 a. m. and  
arriving at Sanborn 11:35 a. m. Returning, leaves  
Sanborn at 1:15 p. m. and arrives at Cooperstown  
4:15 p. m.N. P. Railroad, main line—Passenger trains  
leave Sanborn:Going east, 3:45 p. m.  
Going east, 10:15 p. m.  
Going west, 8:30 a. m.  
Going west, 6:57 a. m.  
Going west, 11:45 a. m.Tickets for all parts of the United States and  
Canada for sale at this station.  
R. M. COWEN, Agent.  
C. S. FEE, Gen. Pass. Agt.Delegates from Central Dakota will  
meet at Huron to tell Sparks what they  
think of him.Editor Adams has ordered a new cyl-  
inder press. Joe kicked on having the  
Liberty to kick.—*Democrat*.Hardly, *Mr. Democrat*—hardly. We  
have a funny way of monopolizing all  
figurative kicking in the *COURIER* office,  
ourselves. Others kick—but from  
the outside.The imbecility of age and decrepitude  
of youth may excuse, if not justify,  
suicide,—as outraged humanity some-  
times excuses and justifies homicide;  
but for health and strength to give up  
the battle of life, is folly. Who knows  
what pleasant victories are before us?  
And what matters a few years? Nature  
will dispose of us shortly, as she disposes  
of the dew in the morning, and the  
snow in the spring time.

#### Five Cents.

Mr. Danner, of the Jamestown Brew-  
ery, is building an ice house at Valley  
City. He says the people there consume  
1,500 or 1,800 barrels of beer annually.  
Its cost is \$8 a barrel, wholesale, but  
three times as much at retail.—*Age*.

#### A Wicked Paper.

The fascinating game of poker seems  
to have a strong hold upon St. Paul's  
business men. I have wandered some-  
what about the country, but in no city  
have I ever seen such devotion to the  
game as is manifested in St. Paul. The  
other evening I had occasion to call upon  
five well known residents, and I  
found each one seated in a friendly  
game, with three or more companions.  
In Minneapolis the devotees of the game  
are limited to the grain and flour men.  
There are some great players among  
them. I could enumerate a dozen who  
can hold their own against the square  
players in the country. They play great  
games, too, and it's not an uncommon  
thing for thousands to exchange hands  
during the evening.—*Casual Listener, in  
Pioneer Press*.

#### "Injun Kill Um All.

According to the Boise City Statesman  
the first massacre of the Chinese in the  
United States took place in Idaho in  
1868, when seventy of them were killed  
by Indians. They had left the mines of  
Nevada and were proceeding in bands to  
the placers of Idaho, in search of work  
and gold. It was the first time Chinese  
men had ever been seen by the Shoshone  
Indians, and they were the last they  
wanted to see. A freighter, who was  
well known to the Indians of that section,  
camped, on the day following, near the  
creek where the massacre took place,  
and the Shoshone chief explained  
to him how it all happened: "Mebbe  
so, mebbe not. He no white man, he no  
nigger, he no Injun. He go quack!  
quack! like um duck. He no good; Injun  
kill um all." The Shoshone then went  
through all the motions of pulling the  
queens and lifting the heathens' scalps,  
with many grimaces, and to the great de-  
light of the freighter. The summary  
method of the Idaho reds in settling the  
Chinese question was adopted by the early  
miners of Cœur d'Alene.J. W. Gray, of Marine Mills, Minn.,  
has purchased from Abe Rohrbach one-  
third interest in the pacing gelding,  
Mike Wilkes, together with one-third  
interest of the sulky, harness and boots  
belonging to him; also one-third of his  
earning for the season 1885, for \$2,000.

### Our Washington Letter.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.

It was not expected that Congress  
would do much this week. Edmunds is  
already pushing his Postal Telegraph  
Bill—that is, he has given notice that it  
shall not be smothered in committee.  
It has never been customary to do much  
work in the way of legislation before the  
holidays, and this year is no exception.  
The Hoar Presidential Succession bill is  
about the only thing that has got a good  
start. This of course comes from the  
vivid reminder that the country might  
be left without a head, which contingen-  
cy was so forcibly impressed on  
people by the death of Vice President  
Hendricks. The bill provides that the  
succession, in case of the death of both  
President, shall fall on members of the  
cabinet in order, thus providing that the  
control of political affairs shall remain  
in the hands of the dominant party.  
Talking with a Western Senator to-day  
he said that the bill would be one of the  
first measures to pass the Senate, but he  
feared from indications that it would get  
lost in the House, as was the case last  
session.The Senate is already overwhelmed  
with business, and will be till the ap-  
pointments made by the President dur-  
ing vacation are disposed of. Most of  
the business of confirmation is of course  
formal, but as several Republican Sena-  
tors have their war paint on, no one can  
tell how long the business will last.The first caucus on the subject revealed  
considerable difference of opinion as to  
what course to pursue, but as every  
Republican Senator has some personal  
case of his own to be taken care of, a  
common feeling exist. There can not  
be any legislation in the House till that  
body fixes on its rules. This preliminary  
struggle will determine the whole course  
of work for the rest of the session. A  
wager of battle was joined to-day on the  
report of Mr. Carlisle's committee, made  
after a two days' truce, in which the  
ground has been well fought over. I  
shall not try to predict the result.  
Three-fourths of the members are loaded  
with speeches, which must be got off.  
When the debate has run along that far,  
it may be possible to guess what the  
outcome will be. Of course most of the  
Congressmen are guided with an eye  
single to their own chances. By spread-  
ing out the work of the Committee on  
Appropriations the importance of other  
committees will be increased. Mean-  
time, Speaker Carlisle, by virtue of his  
position, holds the whip hand, and he  
favors the changes.We are going to have a decision which  
will decide what Commissioner Sparks'  
decisions mean. They have been inter-  
preted every way, and if the land office  
really know what is meant it keeps that  
information to itself. The western  
congressmen daily receive letters from  
their constituents asking to be enlight-  
ened, and they are taking measures to  
get an authoritative expression from the  
proper sources.Congressman Jerry Murphy, of the  
Davenport, Ia., district, better known as  
"Hennepin" Murphy, is on the war-  
path. Some of the people down east  
think the Hennepin canal is only a joke  
and not to be considered seriously. At  
least they thought so up to a few days  
ago. Now they don't as much as they  
did. In the jangle over house rules  
and committee chairmanships, they have  
found that the Hennepinners are com-  
pactly organized and mean business.  
There was a hint of their pulling to-  
gether to-day, which a few of the insiders  
saw. "No Hennepin no River and Har-  
bor appropriations," is the war cry, and  
the changes on it are rung with vigor.  
The latest survey made by the govern-  
ment engineers has just been received,  
and as the route it marks out is some  
millions of dollars cheaper than any other  
heretofore surveyed, it will demand  
attention.The Dakota admission and division is  
only worked up as yet by interested par-  
ties, but it is expected that the "boon-  
ers" will make a very determined effort  
to bring about some action in behalf of  
their d. sires, and if they are not too  
much split up by local factions at home,  
will be able to accomplish something of  
importance. TELEGRAPH.

#### Washington Notes.

The legislature of Virginia elected  
John W. Daniel United States senator.  
Good bye, Mahone.Hon. Robert Toombs died in Wash-  
ington, Tuesday night.Bills were introduced in the senate  
Tuesday, by Senator Sabin, for the erec-  
tion of a public building at Stillwater,  
Minn., at a cost of \$100,000.By Senator Harrison, for the admis-  
sion of a portion of the territory of Dak-  
ota as a state.By Senator Vest, to incorporate the  
Atlantic and Pacific Ship Railway com-  
pany.A bankruptcy bill is expected to be  
passed this season.There will be a hot fight over the coin-  
age of any more silver dollars—the pres-  
ident is against it, but silver dollars have  
many friends.

#### The Sire of St. Julian.

"About the first that was heard of Vol-  
unteer, Joe Hetzel brought him to the  
Goshen track to trot a four-year-old  
stakes. There was a big lot of colts,  
and Joe did not want to get into the  
crowd, and knew he had speed enough  
to beat them all at his leisure, so he told  
the judges he wanted the word when  
behind, and sure enough he was at least  
five rods back when it was given. But  
he soon closed up and had only a few  
to beat after a quarter of a mile had  
been trotted, and these he disposed of  
easily enough. The speed he showed  
that day gave him a great reputation,  
and was the reason for my buying him,  
although he was owned in Brooklyn in  
the interim therefore I purchased him,  
and was driven on the road considerably.  
Whether because of Hetzel's tactics  
with him in his first race, or his Brooklyn  
education, he was always at his best  
when overhauling another horse. Once  
get his nose on a wheel and he would  
never make a break, but trot with all  
his speed and the utmost determination,  
and he had a trick whenever he was  
passing a horse of reaching over at him  
to bite him. He was a natural fighter  
when it came to a race. As for speed,  
he had an unpublished trial at Mr.  
Backman's track once that would asto-  
nish all horsemen if they knew the  
facts. The fastest he ever trotted in  
public was a half-mile in 1:12.The greatest victory the old horse ever  
had was when he beat Goldsmith Maid  
on the road. Bill Bodine had come  
home with her from a campaign, and  
he was crazy about her, saying that she  
could beat any trotter in the world.  
Her record was about 2:24 at this time.  
I said to Bodine, "You are wrong, there  
is one that can beat her."In about ten days I met Bodine with  
the Maid by appointment on the road,  
and we jugged off in different directions,  
and returned to an agreed place of  
meeting."You go on," said he.  
"No, you go on," I replied, for I knew  
I could depend on Volunteer to pass any  
horse he ever caught, but was not sure  
of him when ahead. So off he started,  
getting a lead of a few rods, but it was  
not long before Volunteer got his nose  
on the mare's wheel, and then he put his  
head down and trotted for dear life.  
Gradually but steadily he went by her,  
and as he got to her withers I shall never  
forget how he reached over and nipped  
at her. She was mad enough to nip at  
him and when he actually got by her,  
and she realized that she was beaten, for  
the first and only time, she broke into a  
wild run, and it was all that Bodine  
could do to stop her. That was the  
grandest road race I ever had. As soon  
as we got together, Bodine halloed out  
"You don't call that fair, do you?"  
"Why not," said I.  
"Hold, tracker!" said he, "that horse  
of yours was five rods long when he went  
by!"  
"The horse is now 32 years old."

#### Maud's Oscillating Bob Sleighs.

One car load of sleighs and wagons, at  
Knud Thompson's. Call at once.

#### Strayed.

On to my premises, one black sow pig,  
about a year old. The owner can have  
same by calling at my premises and pay-  
ing charges. CHRIST ARESTAD,  
Sec. 16-145-53.Cash paid for potatoes at the Palace  
hotel.Davis & Pickett have a fresh car  
of flour and feed on the track. Call on  
them at once.We will pay 50 cents for Griggs  
county orders, in merchandise.  
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fine line of upholstered goods.Don't buy a dollar's worth of grocer-  
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loaded to the ceiling withFlour Feed, and Furniture.  
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