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The annual issue with the Devil's Lake Inter-Ocean is about the neatest thing in Christmas presents that has been presented by a Dakota paper to its subscribers.

The New York Independent is on our table, and desires to exchange. Certainly,—we are glad to exchange. We make it a rule to exchange only with dailies, but in the case of the Independent we make an exception.

Chas. S. Fee, the energetic young passenger agent of the Northern Pacific, presents the Courier with a beautiful lithograph of Gardner Canon, in Yellowstone park. It is as fine a specimen of pictorial art as we have seen in many a day,—far ahead of the old editorial coupon book, or the mileage ticket.

Well, the commissioners, at their meeting Saturday, the 9th inst., definitely decided to issue no liquor license in the county for the year 1886. The result is problematical. It may be for the moral benefit, and financial prosperity of Cooperstown, and it may result to the contrary. In any event we should make the best of it.

A correspondent inquires the name of the present editor of the Pioneer Press. In reply we would say that Jos. Wheelock is its present editor, and has been the editor ever since that journal became known to fame. The inquiry is not as surprising as it might first appear. The metropolitan journals do not hoist the name of their editors and publishers, like the Boomerville Deacon and the Swellville Squealer, at the head of a column. This is perhaps as it should be, where an editor is an employe expressing his employer's sentiments; but it is doubtful policy, where an all around mental athlete, like Mr. Wheelock, who controls as well as edits his paper, modestly allows his country subscribers to remain in ignorance of the cognomen of the man who is educating them. The reason of our great editors figuring in their papers as "we" and "we" only is because they expect to be recognized in the piddle by the peculiar character and great quantity of the mud they stir up; and, perhaps, with a sneaking idea that the gore hunter will shoot the heart out of the city editor, or some other scrub, while waiting on the stairs for the old man, himself. The motive in the first case would be founded on an egotistic conceit, and in the latter case by the most estimable prudence. It is a poor general that gets killed in battle. A man can not do much headwork, unless his head is connected with the rest of his body.

King Theebaw, the most brutal of tyrants, has proven himself, as often happens, the most abject of cowards. Not until assured of his personal safety did he venture to lift up his eyes to his conqueror; but, secure of his precious life, he has "since assumed a certain quiet dignity." His excuses are precisely the same as those of some undergraduate, who attributes all his vices to others, and pleads minority when called upon to pay his debts. "I was seized when young, and made a mere puppet. You English think that I killed all my relations. Quite a mistake, I do assure you. I was asleep in bed when the order was issued by my ministers. * * I hope I shall not be deprived of my jewels. * * * It is dreadful to think of the mutations of human life. Yesterday I had 300 wives, to-day I have only eighteen. * * * Pray don't imagine that I am given to drink. I am a very religious Buddhist." I think it is Artemus Ward who describes some poltroon as the "meanest cuss—for a white man—that ever I knew." Theebaw would appear to be the meanest cuss—for a brown one.—Ee.

The education of public sentiment is, no doubt, a very difficult task when it is remembered how numerous and

how potent are those schools of vice, the saloons; but this is the most important object to be gained, for public sentiment is the only basis on which the hope of moral reformation can be rested. And one of the most valuable lessons learned in the later years of the century just closed is that it is not wise to wait for national or state prohibition, when community after community and county after county can be marshaled under prohibition laws. We have no quarrel with those who think that time is lost in trying to free towns and cities and counties from the curse, instead of whole states, or the entire nation; we simply point to the results of local option, and ask for those who believe in it, liberty to work in it. You that think no field which is smaller than the whole country is large enough for your plans, go on, in God's name, and liberate the nation if you can, while we are struggling for counties and cities.—N. Y. Independent.

The St. Paul Ice Palace. The structure is 144 feet in length by 120 feet in width, with a grand, massive central tower attaining an altitude of 100 feet. This tower is provided with battlements and embrasures, and the architecture throughout is of the pure mediæval type. The main tower is defended by an out work about 32 feet in height with battlements and towers at the angles. The outer walls are 20 inches thick and the central tower 40 inches, and something over 20,000 blocks of ice are required in its construction. The interior will be lighted at night by about 50 large electric lights and on the occasion of the "storming of the palace" by the army of uniformed snowsnores various colored lights will be burned within and immense quantities of fireworks will be discharged from the towers and battlements, producing an effect indescribably magnificent. There are four grand entrances to the palace, through which spectators pass to the labyrinth of apartments, viewing the magical effect of the solid crystal walls, and refreshing themselves at the various booths from which appropriate eatables and beverages are dispensed.—The North-west.

Peterson's Magazine for February opens with a beautiful steel-engraving after the celebrated picture of "Cinderella," by Sir John Milais. Colored steel fashion plate; pattern in embroidery, from the Art School; full page engravings. The novelet, "The Cedar Swamp Mystery," becomes more powerful as it proceeds. "A Cinderella of To-day" is a most charming love story. This magazine is certainly one that every lady would highly appreciate, and they should be shure to subscribe. There are other novelets; and short stories, and poetry, and useful household receipts. If you want the magazine, send \$2 to Charles J. Peterson, 506 Chestnut st., Philadelphia, Pa.—Ad.

The advertised reward of \$500 for the missing ledger from the county treasurer will probably bring the book to light, as its presence or absence would have no weight in the approaching suit against Pease's bondsmen, excepting the far fetched idea that they had something to do with it. It was probably put away by some of their enemies, hoping thus to throw a stigma on them; but it is entirely "too thin."—Farmer & Stockman.

THE Hayes farm, near Bismarck, has been sold at a reported price of \$16,000. It consists of eight hundred acres, and was selected in 1877 by Col. W. R. Rogers, private secretary of President Hayes. The purchaser is Col. Guitner. This farm has served an excellent purpose in demonstrating the productiveness of the soil of the Missouri slope near Bismarck.—The Northwest.

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NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Dec. 21, 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, viz: John K. Thome, D. S. No. 14,141 for the nw 1/4 of sec. 23, tp. 15n, r. 61w, and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Julius Steverson, Anton Enger, Fred Wilke, Charles Johnson, all of Griggs county, D. T. The testimony of claimant and witnesses to be taken before John N. Jorgenson, clerk of the district court, at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 30th day of February, 1886, at his office. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. Jacobson & Ole, att'ys.

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Dec. 14, 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, viz: Nels O. Kjos, D. S. No. 14,100 for the southwest quarter of sec. 20, tp. 14n, r. 61w and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Albert Ostrom, Anton Pederson, John Anderson, Knud J. Alstad, all of Jesse, P. O., Griggs county, D. T. The testimony of claimant and witnesses to be taken before John N. Jorgenson, clerk of the district court, at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 30th day of February, 1886, at his office. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. Jacobson & Ole, att'ys.

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Dec. 14, 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, viz: John K. Thome, D. S. No. 14,803 for the sw 1/4 of sec. 28, tp. 14n, r. 60w, and names the following as his witnesses: Karl T. Vaugen, John Anderson, John Pederson and Andrew H. Overly, all of Jesse, Griggs county, D. T. The testimony to be taken before Geo. B. Clark, judge and ex-officio clerk of probate court, Griggs county, D. T., at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 25th day of February, 1886, at his office. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. Jacobson & Ole, att'ys.

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Dec. 14, 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, viz: John K. Thome, D. S. No. 14,803 for the sw 1/4 of sec. 28, tp. 14n, r. 60w, and names the following as his witnesses: Karl T. Vaugen, John Anderson, John Pederson and Andrew H. Overly, all of Jesse, Griggs county, D. T. The testimony to be taken before Geo. B. Clark, judge and ex-officio clerk of probate court, Griggs county, D. T., at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 25th day of February, 1886, at his office. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. Jacobson & Ole, att'ys.

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Dec. 14, 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, viz: Ole Aronson, H. E. No. 11,133 for the e 1/2 sec. 4 and e 1/2 sec. 5 of sec. 14, tp. 14n, r. 58w, and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Andrew Johnson, Ole Olsen, Peter Thomsen, John Terlin, all of Merrill, Griggs county, D. T. The testimony to be taken before Geo. B. Clark, judge and ex-officio clerk of probate court, Griggs county, D. T., at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 25th day of February, 1886, at his office. HORACE AUSTIN, Register.

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Dec. 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, viz: Herman A. Voeltz, D. S. No. 16,532 for the ne 1/4 of sec. 3, tp. 148n, r. 61w, and names the following as his witnesses, viz: William Wildgrube, Christoph Lindmann, Abner Pearson, DeForest County, all of Willow, Griggs county, D. T. The testimony herein to be taken before John N. Jorgenson, clerk of district court, at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 18th day of February, A. D. 1886, at his office. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. Wm. Glass, Attorney. 514

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Dec. 28, 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, viz: Herman A. Voeltz, D. S. No. 16,532 for the ne 1/4 of sec. 3, tp. 148n, r. 61w, and names the following as his witnesses, viz: William Wildgrube, Christoph Lindmann, Abner Pearson, DeForest County, all of Willow, Griggs county, D. T. The testimony herein to be taken before John N. Jorgenson, clerk of district court, at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 18th day of February, A. D. 1886, at his office. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. Wm. Glass, Attorney. 514

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Dec. 19, 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, viz: Karl-ot Pederson H. E. No. 14,803 for the nw 1/4 of sec. 23, tp. 14n, r. 58w, and names the following as his witnesses, viz: John Terlin, John Sletten, Adolph Johnson, Jacob Tochie, all of Ottawa P. O., Griggs county, D. T. The testimony to be taken before John N. Jorgenson, clerk of the district court, at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 12th day of Jan., A. D. 1886, at his office. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. Jacobson & Ole, att'ys. 50-55

NOTICE—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Dec. 11th, 1885. Complaint having been entered at this office by Henry Olson against Charles Shroeder for abandoning his homestead entry No. 9938, dated April 24, 1882, upon sec. 3 section 12, township 14n, range 59, in Griggs county, Dakota, for a view and a view to the cancellation of said entry; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 20th day of January, 1886, at 10 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment. 5-1 HORACE AUSTIN, Register.

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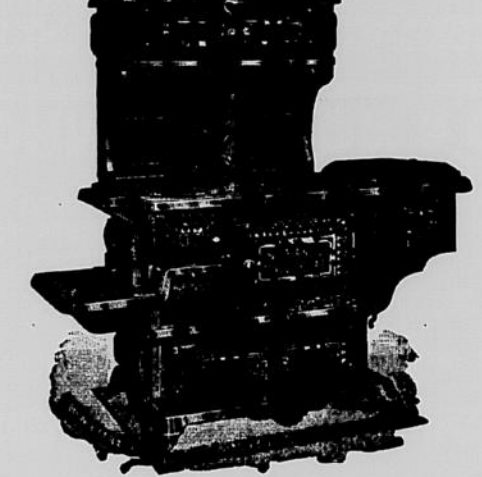
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