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### TIME TABLE.

S. C. &amp; T. M. RAILROAD.

Trains make the round trip every day, except Sunday, leaving Cooperstown at 8:35 a. m., and arriving at Sanborn 11:30 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:  
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### Our Washington Letter.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.

The week closing on Saturday showed pretty good work for both houses of Congress. The passage of the bill by the Senate for the admission of South Dakota, on Friday afternoon, was quite a victory for Republicans, on account, partly of the vote of Senator Voorhees, the only Democrat who voted in its favor. All negative votes were Democratic. The bill provides for the organization of North Dakota into a territory to be called Lincoln. The vote stood 33 to 20. Mr. Voorhees thinks there is no doubt about the passage of the bill in the house.

The adoption of Mr. Bland's resolution by the House, calling upon the Secretary of the Treasury for information in regard to his past and future policy on the Silver question, was a subject of Cabinet consideration a day or two since, and the conclusion reached was that the President's message and the Secretary's annual report furnished a sufficient reply, and the House will be informed that their "silver" sentiments remain unchanged.

The General Pension Bill will be considered by the G. A. R. at their encampment on the 17th of February. It is believed that the proposition to pension every old soldier \$8 per month and discharge the great army of clerks, will be indorsed by that body. Of course such a bill would be opposed by all pension officials throughout the land as well as the legal and pension agent fraternity, but it will certainly commend itself to the great public.

The formation of Gladstone's Cabinet has attracted considerable attention from the Irish people of this city, and the result has not been entirely satisfactory, but the friends of Ireland are willing to give the "Grand Old Man" ample time to accomplish something that will relieve the suspense and political strain in Ireland.

The Sub-Committee appointed to draft a bill on the Hennepin Canal scheme, are a unit on the acceptance of the Illinois and Michigan Canal, and for the appropriation of \$1,000,000 to commence work upon the canal as soon as the Engineer of the Army designates the route.

Senator Logan, of Illinois, is not only making his influence felt in national legislation, but is taking care of the interests of the great party of which he is one of its most noted champions. Twice during the past week did he attract the attention of the country by his outspoken views of matters of national policy. On Tuesday he fairly brought down the "ouse," when in regard to the bill proposing to allow the U. S. Consul, at Warsaw, Russia, to accept certain decorations tendered him by the Russian government, he declared that the only decoration an American citizen should wear, is his daily walk and demeanor before his fellow men. This created quite a sensation. Again on Wednesday in his speech on the Dakota bill he showed that the opposition of the democrats was a part of the great scheme to keep out republican states, and in some points quite analogous to the course of that party before the war in opposing the admission of free states. In his little spat with Senator Butler, of S. C., who charged that Logan was a leading

democrat in those days, the Illinoisian got the best part of it by retorting that he was not a leader but a follower, who followed so far behind that he got left. This created a laugh at Butler's expense.

The committee on rivers and harbors have commenced considering the wants of the states in order. They express a desire not to be interrupted by those "log rolling" gentlemen who sometimes feel it their duty to look after special matters.

Dement, the recently appointed surveyor general, of Utah, who reported a "cock and bull story" of frauds by officials of that territory, has created such a commotion by denying the circulation of the stories, that he will likely fail of confirmation. He was formerly a "literary" dry goods man at Shelbyville, Ill.

The rumor that President Cleveland will be likely to tender the Civil Service commission to ex-Senator Bruce, of Mississippi, has created some talk, but lacks confirmation. This reminds me that Vance, of N. C., introduced a bill not long since to abolish the Civil Service commission, on the ground that algebra and fluxions are not necessary to qualify a man to feed a stove.

Oberly, the superintendent of Indian schools, has made a report which is said to be the most interesting and valuable of any on that subject ever before published.

Bancroft, the historian, is about to publish a book, in which he takes issue with the supreme court of the United States, in regard to the legal tender decision. It is said that he claims that the constitution was wounded in the house of its guardians by the decision. Its appearance will be greeted with interest. W. D.

### The Taxes Refunded.

VALLEY CITY, Dak., Special Telegram, Feb. 4.—When what is known as the Traill county tax decision was rendered by the supreme court of the United States, lands on odd sections were supposed to have been more or less affected. The Eastern holders of this land, as well as residents, have almost unanimously paid taxes on them in this county without protest. Yesterday the board of county commissioners of Barnes county allowed a claim of \$5,307.44 to J. W. Scott and J. C. Evans on account of tax title certificates held by them. It is authoritatively understood this amount includes not only lands affected by the injunctions issued at the instance of the Northern Pacific, but all lands on odd sections in Barnes county, on which they had certificates. On some of them treasurer's deeds were held, the land having been deeded by the railroad company to a third party, and afterwards sold for taxes. The board, in paying this amount to claimants, not only refunded the amount originally paid, but also allowed the 30 per cent interest, allowed by law in this territory. This establishes a precedent for Eastern capitalists who hold tax certificates on land in this county to also present their bills to the board. The amount outstanding on this class of certificates, in this county, is estimated at between \$400,000 and \$500,000.

In noting the conspicuity of Col. Donan in the public eye, of late, the Rapid City Journal recalls an incident in the turbulent career of the colonel, while in the Black Hills, five or six years ago, as editor of the Deadwood Pioneer. For some reason the establishment became embarrassed, and the printers at times did not get their pay regularly. One of them, in one issue, made the insertion in conspicuous editorial positions in several columns, the line: "J. Christ Donan is the editor of this paper." It was not discovered until the papers were all out, when the colonel went about with a revolver trying to find the fellow who did it. He said something about him, but could not get hold of him. —Etc.

### Willow.

Mrs. H. V. Safford has been sick for about two weeks, but is now convalescent.

Joseph McCulloch was kicked by a horse, and is laid up.

Some of the Red Willow farmers have had to put up margins on wheat stored.

Miss Maria Rankin teaches school in the Third, the Hagerty district, this winter, and lives in the school house. The board find this the most satisfactory way in the winter, as farmers have not as yet the conveniences for boarders. Miss Rankin is one of Griggs county's best teachers. C. H.

### Gallatin Items.

A quiet wedding lately, the parties, Mr. Chris. Osland and Miss Wesley.

Wood chopping is carried on extensively on the Shyenne, this winter, and some timber is selling at \$50 per acre.

P. M., at Gallatin, had a good deal of trouble in proving up his claim; but he has it all right now.

S. J. Pound has canvassed for papers, to the amount of \$40, lately.

Harry Blow was among us with a petition. When he got to Gallatin his horse was about tired out. He got a few signers; but wouldn't ask his father-in-law to sign it.

The GRIGGS COURIER ironically congratulates the democracy upon the report that S. K. Norgard is about to capture the Cooperstown postoffice. That gentleman is father to the perjured Traill county superintendent of schools, and has never been known to pay a newspaper subscription. This latter fact, together with Dr. Falk's recommendation, ought to damn any aspirant. —Hillsboro Banner.

The St. Paul Ice Carnival is attracting great attention in all parts of the country. Not less than five thousand men will be arrayed in the picturesque winter costumes at the storming of the palace, which occurs early in the month of February.

The PIONEER PRESS, with characteristic enterprise and dash, has made arrangements to properly illustrate these interesting and novel scenes, and all who are interested should at once subscribe. —Ade

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Farmers can get grain insured in stack or granary, by calling at the Bank of Cooperstown.

Davis &amp; Pickett have a fresh car of flour and feed on the track. Call on them at once.

We will pay 90 cents for Griggs county orders, in merchandise. John Syverson &amp; Co.

Frank Buck takes orders for clothing, and guarantees fits, at the very lowest rates. A long experience warrants him in asking the patronage of the public. Andrus' old land office.

Call and place your order for the Monitor Seeders and drills, soon. You may be left. Knud Thompson.

The Davis &amp; Pickett building is loaded to the ceiling with Flour

Feed,

and

Furniture.

Go and see the show.

I can tell you something fine about T. G. Mand's Bob Sleighs. O. T. ay are fine. Knud Thompson.

H. S. Pickett will shortly have a portion of his holiday stock, including a fine line of upholstered goods,

Large reduction on heating stoves, at A. N. Adams'.

## KNUD THOMPSON'S

## "Yankee Doodle"

The Christmas frolics now are o'er.

Old '85 has fled, sir;

Now Cooperstown has no saloons.

And Vanderbilt is dead, sir.

But still, the bums and duds in town

Feel good—it makes them snicker,

To loaf around, and hear the fun.

When Thompson makes a dicker.

Chorus—

Yankee Doodle is the tune.

Which Thompson thinks so handy;

He makes his trades, and takes his notes

With "Yankee Doodle—dandy!"

And what has Knud to sell? you ask:

Why, simpton, I answer:

What has he not that cuts or grinds,

Or walks upon the land, sir?

He's sure to have a specimen

Of each and every class, sir,

From J. I. C. Eclipse machines

To Balaam's speaking ass, sir.

Chorus.

He'll sell you, farmers, what you want—

A mower, plow, or rake, sir;

A mule, a horse, a cow, an ox,

And binders that won't break, sir.

But best of all, he sells them cheap,

And never minds the cash, sirs;

He'll take your notes, and give you time,

Till next year's crop you thresh, sirs.

Chorus.

He never cares to make a cent—

He dickers for his health, sirs;

For trading seems to make him ill.

Then come and make your wealth, sirs

He's the innocentest man in town.

You're sure to "take him in," sirs.

Just trade your old truck for his new,

To "stick" him is no sin, sirs.

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