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W. H. Burke and Col. Lounsbury start their paper in Duluth. Journalism in Dakota can hardly spare these veteran newspaper men.

The United States mail service to South America, under Vilas' management, is bringing disgrace to the administration. At Panama the papers speak with contempt of such a government.

After a telegram from Indiana, partially fixing upon the man murdered at the Minneapolis transfer as Buck Moore, Martin, the accused, recognized him as his partner, although he had not given it away before. Altogether, the coils seem to be tightening about Martin.

It is rumored that Col. Geo. B. Valandigham will have charge of the Jamestown Capital, as a democratic paper. The democrats cannot do better. He is a democrat from "way back," an old soldier, a thorough newspaper man, and the spoils of office have not corrupted him.

We met Dr. Folk, of Caidonia, at the Headquarters, Sunday.

"Well, Dr., is your Traill county gang as corrupt as they say?"

"Yes, sir, it is a — sight more so. Formerly, we wouldn't notice a ten dollar bill; but lately they have to screw down all the coffin lids in the county, or bury the subjects with their eyes open. Bud Reeve has joined us."

In a Dakota exchange we notice an able editorial on Cleveland's "Innocuous desuetude" message, which the Pioneer Press must have stolen in the manuscript, as the editorial in the two papers is nearly identical.

Mr. Chas. S. Fee, the passenger agent of the Northern Pacific, is one of the best advertisers in the country. His latest "ad" is a pamphlet "Thro' Wonderland with Lieut. Schwatka," which would adorn any centre table in the land.

Loaded for "Bar."

A quill driver who had been employed on a Dakota paper through several political campaigns, obtained a job on a Chicago paper, and was detailed to write up the performance of the Bohemian Girl, by an English opera company. He commenced as follows:

"In all our experience as a journalist we never before saw such an abandoned spectacle as was presented last evening at the dive, known as McVicker's theater. It is only our duty to the farmer and tax payer that persuades us to soil our pen with a description of the disgusting orgies which are said to be conducted nightly at this joint. When a community tolerates open and notorious license, from a gang of ruffians, whose sole desire is to obtain the money of the poor, hard working farmer and tax payer, it is time the sword of justice descended in our midst. One Madam Populi, who deliberately addresses before her audience, we understand, obtained her celebrity in a divorce in Paris, in 1870, although she now claims to be but twenty-four years of age. As this was fifteen years ago she must have originally married quite young. It is very likely, however, that as to any one particular wedding ceremony, she cannot remember distinctly. Her evident devotion to Mr. Nicola reflects no credit upon her. Mr. Nicola has considerable to say about his "Fair Land of Poland." We are credibly informed that Mr. Nicola is not in any hurry to get back to the fair land of Poland; and will probably remain away until he is extradited. Regard for his unfortunate wife, who is said to be a very worthy lady, and for his innocent children, prevents us from saying more. The farmers and tax payers can, however, draw their own conclusions as to whether he is a worthy object of admiration for their wives and daughters. Signor Oppia, whose heart was bowed down, has, if reports are true, abundant occasion to be depressed. We wonder if the gentleman was thinking of certain indictments, found by the grand jury at Albany, January 3d, 1885? Perhaps one of them would look well set to music. Mrs. Populi, and the persons we have mentioned, are good average singers; but let them not flatter themselves that this is all a Chicago public demands. If these disgusting exhibitions are continued we shall feel it our painful duty, in justice to our subscribers, to publish some interesting documents, now in our possession. A word to the wise is sufficient. We are loaded for "bar," with a big B."

"Good Lord!" said the managing editor, "do you call this bloody thing a dramatic criticism?"

"It may be a trifle strong," said the akotaian, "but up our way it would be considered a Jim dandy."

Important Decision.

Sparks' ruling that a man who has proved up on a pre-emption, can not pay up on his homestead until the expiration of his five years has finally been overruled by the Secretary.

Valley City Notes.

John W. Scott was presented, by his amiable wife, week before last, with a handsome little miss, who will be an un-mixed source of delight to "Pa," until she reaches the thirty-six button kid glove and spring bonnet epoch. "Uncle John" exhibited the young lady to us; and explained that it was only by the exercise of his superior judgment in handling her that she appeared so un-qualifiedly content with her infantile existence.

A. H. Grey, the genial lumberman, is also carrying around the dignity of a father of a family. It is a boy; and immediately upon his arrival, the young gentleman's visiting cards were struck off, and distributed to the friends of the family.

At the mass meeting Saturday the committee reported, and their report was received with an apathy that betokens that the farmer is not enthusiastic over the result. He sees the same offensive partizanship that has always existed in Barnes county, and no desire for reform in his hypocritical leaders, if their political friends suffer. Nothing was said about the missing treasurer's book. Uncle John, however, jumped into the ring in defense of Chris, whenever the deluded populace attempted to break away from the rut laid out for them by the ring leaders. It is safe to say that U. J. and Chris will be solid this fall. The office of superintendent of schools was not investigated. It was the old story of "weens" and "youuns." The assessor was investigated; he was "youuns." He has been assessor since the organization of the county, and he thinks they ought to have showed their dissatisfaction before, instead of re-electing him each year without a word of criticism.

One loud-mouthed reformer would not permit his infallibility to be questioned, as long as he was in the reform business. We wonder how a bribery investigation would strike Jack Robinson.

Charley Van Wormer and G. H. Dickey got to the front in the bond business. To insure a permanent boom, boys, this must be a genuine, impartial, reform, and not a discrimination between "weens and youuns fer ter make bunkum." The boom will prove a boomerang, in any other event.

John C. Evans, the register of deeds, remarked, when the committee were laboring to convince the populace that he had received fees unlawfully, "I must have been very extravagant, or I ought to be richer than Vanderbilt." It is to Mr. Evans' credit that the famous bridge resolution was passed before he went into office, and his unlawful fees were determined to be lawful fees by the county attorney, before their allowance. This was a decision rendered in open board after an examination of the matter by the late Judge Mills. Russell, Parkhouse & Co. used to think the judge infallible. Perhaps it is a case of a dead lion being kicked by a live mule.

We thought it strange that Root should not figure in the muddle. It was reserved for Messrs. Van Wormer and Dickey to bring him in. John Scott's very harmless resolution, in asking the Pease bondsmen to step up to the Captain's office and settle, was laid to the hellish machinations of the banker and Scott. In endeavoring to aid Scott in passing the resolution—which was a trifle less foolish than most of the resolutions already passed—some long haired chicken doctor yelled: let's adjourn, and we all adjourned. Uncle John said afterward, he "knewed that reserlushuns was a goin' ter be interduced, and that they was a goin' to adjourn," and it looked like it.

PASTE THIS IN YOUR HAT.

We suggest to the farmers that when they have another investigation they make their committee up of farmers who neither hold nor desire office, and whose offensive partizanship is in a state innocuous desuetude. This wallowing in corruption, carefully selected out of a large and complete assortment, to help themselves, or their friends, or relatives, is a damnable imposition upon a long suffering public.

The Fremad society gave a very enjoyable concert, Friday night. A brass band of twenty pieces, and a male chorus of the same number of voices made most eloquent music.

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Feb. 25, 1886. 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, gen. D. S. No. 14,499 for the sw 1/4 of sec. 20, twp. 138n, r. 60w, and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Albert Coleman, Anton Pederson, John Anderson, Knud J. Allstad, all of Jesse postoffice, Griggs 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 24th day of April, A. D. 1886, at his office. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. Iver Jacobson atty. 9-14

Mortgage Sale.

Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage executed and delivered by William Wethly, unmarried, mortgagor, to Sarah L. Hubbell, mortgagee, dated the 28th day of April, A. D. eighteen hundred and eighty-three, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds of the county of Griggs, in the town of Dakota, on the 4th day of May, A. D. 1885, at 7 o'clock p. m., in book 100 of mortgages, on page 57, on which there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, and hereby declared to be due at the election of mortgagee, the sum of fifty-one and 70/100 (\$51.70) dollars, and no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or in equity to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof, and said mortgage has never been assigned.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a power of sale contained in said mortgage, and of the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises therein described, which sale will be made at the front door of the court house in Cooperstown, in the county of Griggs, and territory of Dakota, at public auction by the sheriff of said county, or by his deputy on Saturday, the 2d day of April, A. D. 1886, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, to satisfy the amount which shall then be due on said mortgage, with the interest thereon, and costs and expenses of sale, and taxes, and fifty (\$50) dollars attorneys' fees, as stipulated in said mortgage in case of foreclosure.

The premises described in said mortgage, and so to be sold, are the lot, piece or parcel of land situated in the county of Griggs, and territory of Dakota, and known and described as follows, to wit: The northwest quarter (nw 1/4) of section No. eighteen (18) of township No. one hundred forty-four (144) north, of range fifty-nine (59) west, in Griggs county, D. T., containing 40.00 (40) acres, according to the United States government survey thereof. Dated at Fargo, D. T., this 15th day of February 1886. SARAH L. HUBBELL, Mortgagee. Spaulding & Templeton, atty. for mortgagee. Fargo, D. T. 5-11

Probate Notice.

Territory of Dakota, county of Griggs. In probate court, Special term, 1886. In the matter of the estate of Frank Hunter, deceased.

Whereas, the petition of Charles A. Hunter has been filed in this court, representing, among other things, that Frank Hunter, late of the county of Griggs, territory of Dakota, died on the 17th day of December, 1885, at Cooperstown, D. T., intestate, and petitioning this court that Henry G. Pickett be granted letters of administration.

It is therefore ordered, that the said petition be heard before me at a special term of this court at the office of the probate court in Cooperstown, county of Griggs, territory of Dakota, on the 23d day of March, 1886, at 10 o'clock a. m.

And it is further ordered, that public notice of the time and place of said hearing be given to the heirs of said decedent, and all persons interested in the publication of this order in the Griggs County paper published in the town of Cooperstown, in said county of Griggs, for three consecutive weeks, and that copies of this order and notice be addressed to the heirs of said Frank Hunter, deceased, resident in his territory, at their place of residence, and deposited in the postoffice with the postage thereon prepaid by the said petitioner, at least ten days before the time of said hearing. Dated at Cooperstown, this 2d day of March, 1886. GEO. B. CLARK, Judge of Probate.

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Feb. 8, 1886. 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: Peter Cameron, D. S. No. 15,587, for the sw 1/4 of sec. 10, tp 148n, r. 60w, and names the following as his witnesses, viz: William L. Striner, Gideon Sheldahl, John J. Lien, all of Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T. The testimony of claimant and witnesses to be taken before Geo. B. Clark, judge and ex-officio clerk of probate court, at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on March 23, 1886. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. 4-9

NOTICE.—U. S. Land Office, Fargo, D. T., Jan. 27, 1886. Complaint having been entered at this office by Petrus Erikson against De Witt C. Upham, for failure to comply with law as to timber culture entry No. 6561, dated April 11, 1882, upon the sec 1/2 sec 18, twp 136, r 59, in Griggs county, Dakota, with a view to the cancellation of said entry; contestant alleging that said De Witt C. Upham during the year ending April 11, 1885, failed to plant or cause to be planted to trees, trees, seeds, roots, nuts or cuttings, five acres of said tract, broken the first year of said entry or to cultivate to crop, or otherwise, the second year of said entry, and that said failure exists at the present time, and that all the improvements now on the land is about ten acres broken during the first and second years of the existence of said entry, and which are now grown up to weeds; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 24th day of March, 1886, at 10 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged failure. 4-9 HORACE AUSTIN, Register.

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Mar. 3, 1886. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof and secure final entry thereof, viz: Charles Fosholt, D. S. No. 14,833, for the sw 1/4 and 1/2 sec 1/2 of section 2, tp 147n, r. 59w, and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Charles Hunter, Anton Hansen, Edward Haney, Ole J. Lien, all of Cooperstown, 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 17th day of April, 1886, at his office. 8-13 HORACE AUSTIN, Register. Iver Jacobson, att'y.

Contest.—U. S. Land office, Fargo, D. T., Feb. 11, 1886. Complaint having been entered at this office by Thorsten Mikkelsen, against Charles W. Crawford for failure to comply with law as to timber culture entry No. 6110, dated Sept. 12, 1881, upon the sec 1/2 section 22, township 144n, range 61w, in Griggs county, Dakota Territory, with a view to the cancellation of said entry; contestant alleging that said Charles W. Crawford has failed to break, or caused to be broken ten (10) acres of said land, on or before the expiration of the second year of his said entry, nor has he done so or caused the same to be done at any subsequent period until this present date; that he has failed to cultivate, or caused to be cultivated, any part of said land to crop or otherwise, from date, his said entry until this present date; that he has failed to plant or caused to be planted any part of said land to trees, tree seed, cuttings, slips, sprouts, or anything of the kind, from the date of his said entry up to this present date; all contrary to the act of June 14, 1878, that all these failures exist at the date of this complaint. The said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 9th day of May, 1886, at 10 a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged failure. 9-14 E. C. GEAREY, Receiver.

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Feb. 25, 1886. 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: Stephen M. Posey, D. S. No. 14,645, for the nw 1/4 of sec 34, tp. 145n, r. 62w, and names the following as his witnesses, viz: William Jones, Frank Lawrence, Charles Lilley, M. C. Price, all of Corinth, Stutsman county, D. T. The testimony to be taken before C. E. Gregory, clerk of the district court, at Carrington, Foster county, D. T., on the 27th day of April, 1886, at his office. And you William H. Farris, who filed D. S. No. 14,779, on the 7th day of July, 1883, upon said lands, are hereby summoned to show cause before this office on the 19th day of April, 1886, if any you have, why the said Stephen M. Posey should not be allowed to make final proof and payment for said lands. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. Iver Jacobson, atty. 9-14

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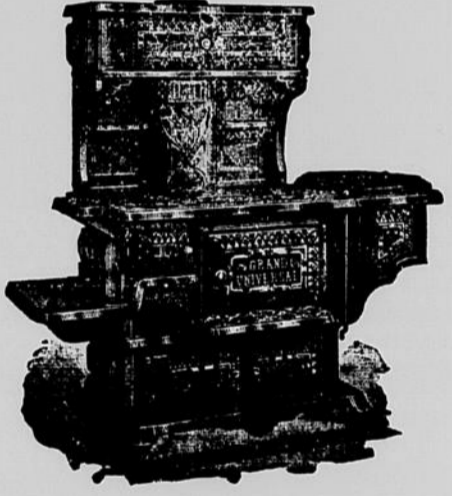
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NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Feb. 10, 1886. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of her intention to make final proof in support of her claim and secure final entry thereof, viz: Josephine E. Lowe, D. S. No. 13,722 for the northwest quarter of sec. 14, tp. 144n, r. 62 w, and names the following as her witnesses, viz: Dewey R. Swartout and L. G. Blanchard, both of Dazey, Barnes county, D. T., and David Posey and Chas. W. Fulford, both of Corrine, Stutsman county, D. T. The testimony of claimant and witnesses to be taken before Charles T. Hillis, clerk of the district court, at Jamestown, Stutsman county, D. T., on the 8th day of April, 1886, at his office. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. Vernon Shaw, att'y., Sanborn, Co. (D. T. 5-10

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Feb. 19, 1886. 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: Horace B. Sortor, D. S. No. 15,674 for the n 1/2 of sec. 16, tp. 148n, r. 60w, and names the following and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Peter Cameron, Gideon Sheldahl, W. C. Jameson, Robert Withero, all of Willow, Griggs county, D. T. The testimony to be taken before John N. Jorgensen, clerk of district court, Griggs county, D. T., at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 24 day of April, 1886, at his office. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. Wm Glass, att'y. 6-11

NOTICE.—U. S. Land Office, Fargo, D. T., Feb. 19, 1886. Complaint having been entered at this office by Thorsten P. Flagesliad vs. Andrew Uhlenhe for abandoning his homestead entry No. 12,859, dated May 26, 1883, upon the n 1/2 sec 2, sec 1/2 nw 1/4 and nw 1/4 sec 20, tp 148, range 59, in Griggs county, D. T. with a view to the cancellation of said entry; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 8th day of April, 1886, at 10 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment. 7-11 HORACE AUSTIN, Register.

NOTICE.—U. S. Land Office, Fargo, D. T., Feb. 19, 1886. To Fred J. Grove, George W. Bathey, who filed declaratory statement No. 14,841 October 8, 1885, alleging settlement June 9, 1883 for sw 1/4 sec 26, tp 147 n, r. 59w; having applied to transmit his said declaratory statement to a homestead entry, you are hereby cited to show cause at this office on the 8th day of April, 1886, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, why your timber culture entry No. 8,644, made July 11, 1885, for the same tract should not be canceled for being in contact therewith. E. C. GEAREY, Receiver.