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### Our Washington Letter.

WASHINGTON, March 22.

The death of Hon. Michael Hahn, of Louisiana, was quite unexpected, and was at first thought to be tragical.

The President has approved of the bill increasing widows' pensions from \$8 to \$12.

Two weeks will be devoted to the discussion of the silver question.

The bankruptcy bill in the senate has been resurrected and reported on favorably.

March 20 has been fixed as the day for considering Collom's inter-state commerce bill.

Spooner, the young Wisconsin senator, is winning laurels in every speech. His speech in support of the Edmunds resolutions, on Thursday and Friday is considered the most exhaustive and ablest of the subject of any yet delivered.

The Senate commerce committee recommended pontoon bridges over the Mississippi, at Red Wing and Winona, and a railroad bridge across the St. Croix for the C. F. & St. Paul railroad. Brig. Gen. Howard has been nominated a major general, to fill the vacancy caused by Pope's retirement.

Commissioner Black, at his third appearance before the pension committee, gave a list of about twenty names of parties he charges with corruption in connection with their duties in the pension office.

The President, last week made two important nominations—one was Trenholm, recently a member of the civil service commission, to be comptroller of the currency, and John H. Oberly, recently Indian supervisor, to succeed Trenholm on the civil service commission. Trenholm is a man of good financial ability, publicly distinguished as the son of Trenholm, secretary of the treasury of the Southern Confederacy. He is strongly in favor of the suspension of silver coinage. Oberly, or "Bishop Oberly," as he is called, because of his excessive baldness, is a Pennsylvanian by birth, a practical printer by trade, an editor by profession, and an office holder by practice. He has no especial qualifications for the civil service commission, unless it is his oft expressed opinion that the victor belongs the spoils. He is a democrat of democrats, and his nomination as civil service commissioner is the greatest joke of the season.

The coinage committee, by a tie, voted to redeem trade dollars with subsidiary coin, but there is no certainty whether the committee will agree on this subject.

The reversal by Secretary Lamar of two of the late decisions of Commissioner Sparks is of interest to all westerners. One was that an entryman had no right to take a homestead and then commute it to pre-emption after having once used his pre-emption right; and the other was that the issuing land patents in newly settled sections should be stopped on account of frauds perpetrated. The people of the Northwest are jubilant over Lamar's action, and Sparks is very much disgruntled.

Gen. Logan has been selected to deliver the Decoration day oration at Gen. Grant's tomb, New York. By the way, this reminds me of a story published in one of the Chicago papers, that during the canvass of 1869 Gen. Logan was the editor and publisher of a paper at his home in Illinois. So "our John" is all right, in that respect, as a presidential candidate.

The public land committee will investigate the charge of unlawful cutting of timber on the Northern Pacific railroad lands.

Pension Commissioner Black has been again before the special committee to investigate his charges of corruption among republican officials whom he suspended, but could not give the name of a single man so charged, but asked

more time

The fight in the senate between Edmunds and his supporters, against the President's defenders in regard to the Dusk matter, continues pretty warm.

The house committee on public lands will report favorably on Payne's bill to protect settlers who have not perfected their titles.

It is the general opinion that the Blair educational bill will be defeated in the house. The committee will report against it.

The electoral bill passed the senate without division, and goes to the house, where it will be defeated.

Matthews the colored register of deeds is not likely to be confirmed. He has no support from those who know him best in New York.

The White House will be enlarged to the extent of \$300,000, if the bill for that purpose passes. W. D.

### The Lenham Failure.

DULUTH, Special Telegram, March 21.—

The Lenham Elevator company failed to put up margins on its wheat trades this afternoon, and the announcement of its suspension was made on the board of trade by President Forbes shortly before afternoon close. It is difficult to get anything definite as to its losses or the true condition of its affairs, and the amount of its liabilities cannot be learned for a day or two at least. The company is an incorporated one under the laws of Dakota, and has an office at Sanborn, Dak., where George L. Lenham is manager, as well as a line of elevators in Dakota. The paid up capital is \$135,000. N. L. Lenham is manager here. The other members of the company are the father of George L. and N. L. Lapham and Rudolph Herz, treasurer of the company, who is stationed here. N. L. Lenham was absent today in St. Paul, and the true condition of affairs cannot be learned until his return, which is expected tomorrow morning. The sharp decline in wheat this morning induced the calling of margins on all sides. The Lenhams had a large amount of wheat, and the calls on the company were pretty heavy. All the margins were promptly put up, until May wheat reached 90c, with the market still going down. Further calls were made, but the bank account was here exhausted, and the company had to notify those who called for their margins that they could not pay them. Then commission merchants having deals with them began to protect their trades by selling out the wheat, and pretty soon the public announcement was made that the company had suspended payment. The market, which was already demoralized, broke rapidly here. The news was sent to Chicago, and the announcement there broke that market badly, which in turn caused a further break here. It is impossible to tell how much wheat the company had, but it is generally believed that about 400,000 bushels were sold out on its accounts, which are thought to be about the amounts held here. It was reported from Chicago this afternoon that 600,000 bushels had been sold out there on its account. Grain men here generally believe that if Mr. Lenham had been at home the catastrophe would have been avoided, and that the company will recover when its affairs are straightened out, and going with its business. Mr. Lenham is very popular, and a good deal of confidence in him is expressed here, and the general hope is that the company will come out all right.

The Lenham Elevator company owns eight elevators at points along the line of the Northern Pacific railroad in Minnesota and Dakota. The headquarters of the company were moved from Sanborn, Dak., to Duluth early last spring. N. L. Lenham, the manager, is thirty-five years old, and has enjoyed the reputation of being one of the shrewdest operators on the Duluth board. He built up a large commission business very quickly after the company began business at Duluth, and managed to get control of the business of some of the largest firms in Chicago. His company handled the bulk L. T. Lester & Co.'s business and one or two leading New York houses operated at Duluth through him. He has been a persistent bear since the war scare subsided last summer, and was supposed to be making money very fast. He turned bullish when May wheat got down to about 93 cents, and is said to have gone very long at about those prices. He bought a half-million bushels of Owen Fargussen at 91 1/2 in one deal, but it was reported at the time that he protected himself to nearly the full amount by puts at

91 1/2. He was not regarded as a speculator, and it was generally supposed that all his deals were for outside parties.

### Notice.

We, Peder A. Melgard and John T. Regnery, have this day purchased the entire stock of merchandise, books and accounts owned by Stevens & Enger, and will henceforth do business under the firm name of Melgard & Regnery, we assuming all liabilities resting on said stock of goods, and collect all accounts formerly due Stevens & Enger.

PEDER A. MELGARD,  
JOHN T. REGNERY.

March 23d, 1886. 10

### Notice.

We have this day sold out our entire stock of merchandise, books and accounts to Peder A. Melgard and John T. Regnery, who assume all liabilities resting on said stock to hardware firms, and collect all accounts.

STEVENS & ENGER.

March 23d, 1886.

### Hay.

I have the growing crop of hay on the following described lands for sale during the year 1886:

W 1/2 145-57.  
All of 7-145-57.  
All of 17-145-57.  
N 1/2 19-145-57.  
W 1/2 146-57.  
All of 7-146-57.  
S 1/2 of 9-146-57.  
All of 17-146-57.  
S 1/2 of 19-146-57.  
Nw 1/4, n 1/2 sw 1/4 of 27-146-57.  
All of 29-146-57.  
All of 31-146-57.  
S 1/2 of 31-147-57.  
S 1/2 of 147-57. Above lands in Steele county.

E 1/2 of 1-144-58.  
All of 1-145-58.  
All of 2-146-58.  
S 1/2 25-145-58.  
S 1/2 of sw 1/4 35-146-58.  
1, 3, 7, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21, and 31-145-59.  
E 1/2 of 145-60.  
All of 27-145-60.  
All of 35-145-60.  
All of 1-145-61.  
W 1/2 3-145-61.  
All of 5-145-61.  
All of 9-145-61.  
All of 11-145-61.  
All of 15-145-61.  
All of 31-145-61.  
Parties wishing to purchase, please call on me.  
H. P. SMART.

### Notice to Tax Payers.

All delinquent personal tax must be paid before April 1st, next. Any such tax remaining unpaid at that time will be left with my deputy tax collector, and collected by distress, according to the general laws of the territory.

Dated this 1st day of March, 1886.  
ANTON ENGER,  
Treas. of Griggs county, Dak.

### \$100,000

To loan on approved real estate securities by Bank of Cooperstown, agents for Corbin Banking company.

### Feed Mill.

Cooper Bros. are prepared to grind feed of all kinds at their elevator, in any amount, at reasonable rates.

### Cash

Paid for choice butter at the Palace Hotel.

### Spot Cash

For Oats, Hay and Wood, at Hunters' Livery.

### Cattle for Sale.

One fine yoke of work cattle. Apply to Wm. McIntyr, Section 32, tp. 146, r. 60. 8-9

R. M. Cowen has on hand another lot of that fine Minnesota wood. Call and examine before buying elsewhere.

Don't forget the closing out sales of Whidden Bros., previous to opening spring stock.

Ready made clothing, boots and shoes, away off, at Whidden Bros., previous to opening our immense new stock, to arrive in April.

Bowden & Buck's Clyde stallions are, without doubt, the finest in either Griggs, Barnes, or Steele counties.

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

We will pay 90 cents for Griggs county orders, in merchandise.

John Sverson & 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. Andrews' old land office.

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

Knud Thompson.

I can tell you something fine about T. G. Mandt's Bob Sleighs. O. T. e. y. are fine.

Knud Thompson.

New spring goods now opening at Whidden Bros. Look for their new ad, next week.

Davis & Pickett will have a couple of carloads of fine horse flesh, shortly; wait for bargains.

Next week—Horse show, at Hunter's opera block, by Davis & Pickett.

Fifteen hundred bushels best seed wheat for sale, at Whidden Bros.

## STOP HERE.

I have a few Harvesters and Binders I will sell for \$175 and also \$100. Don't kick; you can't make money faster than to catch on to some of these bargains. I can sell you plows, harrows, wagons, and almost any kind of farm implements cheap,—and don't you forget it. Remember, I have not quit trading for stock of all kinds. So come and see what can be done for the good of the country.

## KNUD THOMPSON.

## PIONEER HARNESS SHOP

J. H. McDERMOTT, Proprietor.

A Complete Stock of  
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SADDLES, CURRY COMBS,  
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BRIDLES, FLY NETS, ETC.,  
Always on hand.

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Of all kinds promptly done. None but first class workmen are employed, and nothing but the best material used. Satisfaction guaranteed.

J. A. McGUIRE M. D.

## PHYSICIAN & SURGEON.

—COOPERSTOWN, DAK.—

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Feb. 25, 1886. Notice is hereby given that following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and secure final entry thereof, viz: Neis O. Kjos, cert. D. S. No. 14, 899 for the sw 1/4 of sec. 20, 14sp-14n. r. 60w, and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Albert Coleman, Anton Pederson, John Anderson, Knud J. Alstad, 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

THEO. F. KERR, M. D.

## Physician and Surgeon.

Cooperstown, Dakota.

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## Stevens & Pickett,

(Successors to Lenham & Burrell.)

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WM. GLASS,

## LAND ATTORNEY!

COOPERSTOWN, Griggs Co., Dak.

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—ON—

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## LAND.

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