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It was a son of Phallas which Dr. Lyford, of Minneapolis, purchased of J. I. Case. The price was \$4,000, instead of \$50,000. That's different.

J. M. Hannaford has been promoted to the position of General Traffic Manager of the Northern Pacific. This is a good move.

Pioneer Press: Geo. H. Walsh, editor of the Plaindealer, Grand Forks, is stopping at the Merchants.

We hadn't heard of George's misfortunes before; and he used to be a banker, too.

The Hope Pioneer has come through the business depression of the last year in good condition, and enters upon its fifth volume, sound and bright as a newly coined dollar.

Miss Folsom's appointment as the first lady in the land, does not need to be confirmed by the senate. The lady was confirmed several years ago by the bishop of New York.

Geronomo, the talented Apache, destroyed Casita, a Sonora railroad station, and killed fifteen Mexicans. General Miles is after him, with blood in his eye, and the tactics he learned in treeing Sitting Bull well remembered.

Hon. John Russell and wife went to Bismarck this morning.—Valley City Times.

We don't know whether this a prognostication, or whether Uncle John is about to enlarge his mill ad.

Ed. Hall, of the Fargo Sun-Democrat, confesses himself knocked out. W. H. Mattison is again in possession, with Wm. H. Becker as editor, Mr. Becker's opening remarks are somewhat mixed up, and incoherent, but he evidently means to get to the front.

The St. Paul Globe sends an old paper directed to "Ed. Stair," which is dated April 24th. Ed. has not been in the territory for two years, and may not call for it until 1890; but we will carefully save it for him, as we see it is jam full of nice pictures, and he might wish to frame them. Send us your paper regularly, Lewis, and you may convert us to democracy.

A. H. Grey is billed as the coming mavor of Valley City; while D. McDonald, the present treasurer, will probably be re-elected. He is a careful and successful business man, and has given the best satisfaction; and if defeated there will be more politics than business in the affair.

Springer's Bill.

The bill provides for the admission of the territory without division. Provision is made for an election, to be held on the second Tuesday of November next, when a convention is to be chosen for the formation of a constitution, which constitution is to be submitted to a vote of the people, the election to be held at such time and place as may be fixed by the convention. At the election in November the people are also to vote on a location for the state capital, and the three places receiving the greatest number of votes are to be again submitted to a vote of the people at the election fixed for the adoption of a constitution, and the place receiving the greatest number of votes at this election to be designated as the state capital. No county shall be formed which contains less than 3,000 inhabitants. Counties now existing which do not contain that number shall be consolidated. At the election at which the constitution is submitted for adoption, state officers and two members of congress are to be chosen.

If this bill should accidentally pass as it is drafted, Griggs county would be consolidated with some other county. Inasmuch as each county has its own bonded and general indebtedness, its own seat of government, with court houses averaging in value, from \$5,000 to \$50,000, and the differences that have grown up between them since their organization, would result in interminable inter-county strife, we would recommend to William that he alter his bill to accord with public policy.

Fargo to Devil's Lake.

We were in Fargo and Devils Lake, on business, last week, and passed through a great deal of fine country and some fine towns; but we saw no prairie, evidencing prosperity like our own, and no town with as bright prospects as Cooperstown, in spite of its present little setback. At Fargo we had the pleasure of congratulating Mayor Scott on the hearty endorsement he received from his fellow citizens at the recent election. The Dakota club is a new and promising civilizing feature in the metropolis, and has a membership of about ninety. It will be very handy to explain with when Major Edward and the boys have a late political session. If they are "at the club" nobody can kick. The Argus is established on the N. P. right-of-way, and if it stays their long, we fear the railway will have to find a new right of way, as the Argus is an aggressive institution.

Minnewaukan is an embryo Cooperstown, with a magnificent hotel, well conducted. We called on Mr. Shepherd, of the Dakota Sittings, and told him what we know about farming. The Sittings is a bright paper, and the editor a pleasant gentleman. Robt. Caldwell, formerly of Sanborn and Valley City, is in the elevator business at this point.

A stage ride of thirty miles brought us to Devils Lake, which we reached without freezing to death, owing to the politeness of Sheriff Shore, of Benson county, who lent us a buffalo coat for the trip. A portion of Devils Lake will move on with the railroad. While its population will decrease, the city will lose very little by the cleaning out. Among others, we met H. C. Hansbrough of the Inter-Ocean, who is a fearless, wide awake editor of the California school of journalism, and has one of the best newspaper outfits in the country. Ole Serungard has his office in the First National bank, and is doing well. Mr. Prosser, of the News, is a young lawyer, who has greatly improved his paper, since its purchase. The Oswald murder case comes to trial this term of court. "Bill" Irwin was at the Benham house over Sunday, and entertained the guests by his original and witty monologues. It seems that he is a great believer in the intuition of pure women. He would rather trust her intuition than his own judgment. He was once defending an innocent man for poisoning his wife. The man had bought the arsenic, and was the solenurse of the woman, who was an invalid, but he was innocent. The circumstances, naturally, were dead against the prisoner. They very often are. The jury (picked out by the woman) without leaving their seats,—"Gas! sir, what do you suppose they did. They sent him to states prison for life, and I couldn't understand the combination. But I understand it now. You see, she and her husband used to play whist pretty late, and they got into the habit of drinking a pitcher of beer before going to bed. That spoiled the combination. You see, she was drunk every night, and didn't know it, and her intuitions weren't worth a dam, sir."

Hymeneal.

Col. Folsom, grandfather-in-law elect to Grover Cleveland, confirm the report that the president will wed Miss Frankie Folsom in June. The old gentleman has furnished the money for the trousseau, and for her European trip. Grover, we suppose, will have to buy his own ticket. The executive is to be congratulated not only, at his age, in securing so charming and youthful a bride, but also in securing so charming and generous a grandfather-in-law. Mr. Cleveland is, we believe, the first president to wander, during office hours, into the leafy, sun-lit bowers of Hymen, and the eyes of the nation are consequently on him and his lady-love. They must never—never, while the honeymoonshine lasts, toss the scalding coffee at one another, at the breakfast table. This is now considered de trop; and casus belli achi, and other serious affections.

Called Back.

The European immigration this year is equal to that of 1883, with an improvement in the class of new comers—all have some money.

The movement from the states and Canadas is also more marked. Every westward bound train is crowded with candidates for Montana, or Washington Territory, where rolls the Oregon, and it is always afternoon—late in the afternoon—a land where there is real chromo scenery, and bushes that bloom with gold dollars, where the joyous two year old heifer weighs a ton and has nine rings on her horns.

Gentle immigrant, we call you back again. You have gone through the cane-brake, and you are in the region of crooked sticks. If you wish a pole to knock the persimmons of fortune, tarry in the fair land of No. 1 Hard.

Strictly First Class.

When you see a hotel advertised as "strictly first-class you may know it to be a poverty stricken rat hole, run by an illiterate boor. "Strictly first class" applies only to its price. "Strictly high toned" would mean as much, and sound no less idiotic. We asked a chap a few weeks ago if he was acquainted with a party by the name of—say—Brown, who lived in the same town with himself. Brown, by the way, is a brilliant young fellow whom it would be a credit for him to know. The reply was: "He is a clerk. I only know principals." Perhaps the foolish snobbishness of such a break would be illuminated to him, did he try "strictly first-class" on his letter heads for a while, and have it stare him in the face whenever he writes a letter.

A Garden of Roses.

General Hazen, of the Signal Service Bureau, has again, before the House committee on war department expenditures, been acquitted of fraud and corruption. In spite of the fact that years ago he wrote "desert" across the fair brow of Dakota, which mark has been washed out by the heaven-distilled dew of a garden of roses, Mr. Hazen, it will be observed, is still doing business at the old place. Senators and congressmen may come, and senators and congressmen may go, but Hazen runs on forever,—the best evidence, in spite of his great mistake, that he understands his business.

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE.

Whereas, default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage, executed and delivered by Joseph C. Varley, of Griggs county, in the territory of Dakota, mortgagor, to Mrs. Rachel S. Hulme, of Philadelphia, in the state of Pennsylvania, mortgagee, dated the twenty-fourth (24th) day of September, A. D. eighteen hundred and eighty-four (1884), and recorded as a mortgage in the office of the register of deeds of Griggs county, in the territory of Dakota, on the second (2d) day of October, A. D. eighteen hundred and eighty-four (1884), at 11 o'clock a. m. of said day, in book E of mortgages on page 53, on which there is claimed to be due and is now due at the date of this notice, the sum of three hundred and forty-seven and 70/100ths (\$347.70) 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.

Now, therefore, 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, at Cooperstown, in the county of Griggs, and territory of Dakota, wherein the said land is situated, at public auction, by the sheriff of said county, to the highest bidder, on Saturday, the eighth day of May, A. D. eighteen hundred and eighty-six (1886), at twelve (12) o'clock m. on said day, to satisfy the amount which shall then be due on said mortgage, with interest thereon, and costs and expenses of sale, and an attorney's fee of fifty (\$50) dollars, as stipulated in said mortgage, in case of foreclosure. The premises described in said mortgage and so to be sold, is that tract or piece of land situated in the county of Griggs, and territory of Dakota, and known and described as follows, to-wit: The northwest fractional quarter of section two (2), township one hundred and forty-eight (148) north, range fifty-eight (58) west, of the fifth principal meridian, and containing one hundred and twenty-eight and 2/100ths acres, according to the United States government survey thereof. Dated March 18, 1886.

MRS. RACHEL S. HULME, Mortgagee. T. K. Hulme, attorney for mortgagee, Hope, D. T. (First publication March 26) 10-16

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. 02w, and names the following as his witnesses, viz: William Jones, Frank Lawrence, Charles Lilly, 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. 14,279, on the 7th day of July, 1883, upon said lands, are hereby summoned to show cause before this office on the 10th day of April, 1886, if you have, why the said Stephen M. Posey should not be allowed to make final proof and payment for said lands.

HORACE AUSTIN, Register. 9-14 Iver Jacobson, atty.

NOTICE OF CONTEST.—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Mar. 17, 1886. Complaint having been entered at this office by Hans H. Olson against Franklin M. Warford, failure to comply with law as to timber culture entry No. 6,263, dated March 9, 1882, upon the nw 1/4 of section 28, twp. 146n, range 59w, in Griggs county Dakota, with a view to the cancellation of said entry, contestant alleging that the said Franklin M. Warford has failed to plant or cause to be planted to trees, tree seeds, roots, nuts, or cuttings, five acres of said tract or any part thereof, except three acres, during the third year after date of said entry; and that he has wholly failed to plant or cause to be planted to trees, tree seeds, roots nuts or cuttings, the five acres of said tract required to be planted during the fourth year after date of said entry, which said failure as above set forth, exists at the date of the initiation of this contest.

The said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 13th day of May, 1886, at 10 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning the said alleged failure.

HORACE AUSTIN, Register. 11-15

NOTICE.—U. S. Land Office, Fargo, D. T., March 10, 1886. Complaint having been entered at this office by Mike Michaelson Sad against Michael McDermott for abandoning his homestead entry No. 11,024, dated July 8, 1882, upon the northwest 1/4 of section 8, township 144, range 61, 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 6th day of May, 1886, at 10 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment.

E. C. GEAREY, Receiver. 10-1 omj son & Krogh, atty.

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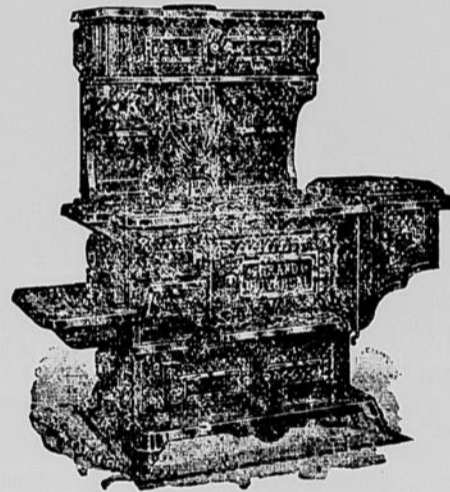
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Probate Notice.

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 lately 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 William Glass 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 28th day of April, 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, by the publication of this order in the Griggs Courier, a 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 this 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 1st day of April, 1886. Geo. B. CLARK, Judge of Probate.

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The testimony to be taken before John N. Jorgensen, clerk of the district court, at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 17th day of April, A. D. 1886, at his office.

HORACE AUSTIN, Register. 8-13 Iver Jacobson atty.

JOHN N. JORGENSEN, Land Attorney!

CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT, Final Proofs Contests and Conveyancing Attended to.