

AROUND TOWN.

Wheat 58 cents. Pioneer Williams made the COURIER a visit, Wednesday. Chris. Lindemann lost his barn, and a fine horse, by fire, last week.

Mr. O. M. Westley was married to Miss Mary Jens, Wednesday.

F. B. Leavitt has been conductor on the Cooperstown branch, this week.

H. V. Safford, of Willow, was in the city, Tuesday, and made us a pleasant call. Mr. S. is one of our best farmers.

Allan Pinkerton arrived home, Monday evening, after visiting British Columbia, and Washington Territory.

Mr. John Flynn and Miss Ida Johnson, both of Cooperstown, were married at Hope, Monday.

Rev. Purinton will preach in the Congregational church next Sunday morning, and Rev. Jernberg, at the Baptist chapel, in the evening.

Nathan Sifton was in Devils Lake last week, and made arrangements for grading twenty miles on the Manitoba extension.

Rev. G. Oftedahl will preach in the Norwegian language on Sunday, May 23, at regular church hours, in the Dazey school house.

The Cooperstown labor troubles are gradually quieting down, although the city is full of socialists—church socialists.

The chicken supper at the Congregational church, Tuesday evening, was a great success.

Boatmen—Mrs. Z., why don't you have a pleasure boat on your lake, for the accommodation of the guests?

Miss H.—Heavens! We couldn't possibly think of having the water stirred up. It is bad enough as it is.

R. C. Cooper went to St. Paul, Monday, and will return, Saturday.

Mrs. J. H. Valandigham and children went to Valley City, for a visit, Monday.

C. C. Brown, of Mayville, is reported as about to build a handsome brick block, west of Lawrence Bros.' store.

The COURIER reaches everybody in the community; and is the best advertising medium in this section of country.

Rev. R. A. Jernberg, of Chicago, preached in the Congregational church, Sunday morning. He will remain here this summer.

There is a rumor of a brick hotel on Burrell avenue, west of McDermott's. The parties are old hotel men, from Sioux Falls. It is said the brick work is already under contract.

Louis Hubbard, living west of town, will be more careful, in the future, when he builds a bonfire. He loses one span of horses, one span of mules, his barn, and was quite badly scorched, himself.

Ballou's Magazine for June is a marked improvement on the old magazine. Mr. Studley evidently understands the make up of a readable book, and will reach readers his predecessor could not please. Price, \$1.50 per annum; 23 Hawley st., Boston.

W. E. Bryant, who has been conductor on the Cooperstown branch for nearly two years, has been relieved of his train. No reason is assigned for the change; but, (in the kindest spirit,) it is probable that it is because he talks too much for a railroad man, and has become unpopular with the railroad boys, and the officials. He has always been on deck, and has been particularly obliging to the public.

A horse belonging to Ford & Lucken, and carriage, belonging to Anton Enger, were stolen from Davis & Pickett's stable, Tuesday night. Great excitement prevailed. Threats of lynching were indulged in. During the wee sma' evening Harry Pickett showed up with rig. It seems he had been to the pie social, and wished to take some ladies home, and in his delirium, produced by the pie, he gave a good man much anxiety.

Mr. West, of the Hotel Minnesota has secured the following rates to his world famous caravansary: From Casselton, \$2.90; from Valley City, \$1.80; from Jamestown, \$6.00. Tickets will be sold at the following points—good for trip and return between points named and Detroit from Saturdays to Mondays—as follows: Fargo, 75 cents; Valley City, \$2.40; Jamestown, \$3.75. All parties thirsting for lake breezes, delightful scenery, and good fishing, should go to Detroit Lake. These excursion rates should reach Cooperstown.

The Yanceys will give a grand concert at Court House hall, May 28th, prior to the departure of Miss Yancey, who is about to conclude her visit.

Mr. H. S. Pickett has sold out his furniture store to John Syverson & Co., and, with his wife, will return to Wisconsin, Tuesday morning.

Mrs. C. W. Hodge presented her husband with a fine son, Tuesday. Mr. H. was so well pleased that he presented a cigar to every smoker in town.

The farmers will hold a meeting at Dazey, Saturday, May 22, for the purpose of forming a Farmers alliance. Let there be a full attendance.

The ladies of the Baptist Sewing Circle will serve ice cream and cake, on Saturday, from 3 to 9 p. m., at Mrs. Lloyd's bakery. The patronage of the public is earnestly solicited.

The 17th of Norway passed off very quietly in Cooperstown. We saw a buck beer keg, Tuesday, which evidenced a small celebration; but nothing more.

J. Davison, of Jamestown, representing the North Dakota Farmer, spent Saturday and Sunday in the Terminal Town. The Farmer is a fine agricultural journal, and will be supplied with the COURIER at \$2.35 per annum. As is usual with commercial travellers, he gives the hotel a bad racket.

Wm. Kingsley came to town, Thursday, and was taken suddenly ill with asthma, a disease which he has been afflicted with for more than twenty years. Dr. Newell brought him around all right, and this morning he was able to return home. The doctor says a man can have the asthma for a hundred years, and then you have to shoot him to get him out of the way.

Lawrence Bros., of this city, are erecting a business block at Cooperstown, D. T., and as soon as it is completed, will put in a general stock of merchandise. The walls of the building are being constructed of concrete and will be 50 x 60 feet in dimensions, and will include store room and warehouse. Mr. and Mrs. Willis Lawrence went to Cooperstown on Monday of last week, where they will reside and Willis will take charge of the store. The well known business abilities of the firm are a guaranty of the success of the Cooperstown enterprise.—Casselton Reporter.

Gallatin.

Arne Lukasson, one of our thriftiest farmers, is still seeding while his brother, Neis, is running the rolling pin over the grain, with lightning speed. Arne intends seeding every month this season.

Iver Thompson has gone over to Goose river, to plant trees. Elge Larson has, likewise, gone to plant ten or fifteen hundred, on his tree claim.

Robert Simpson, the editor's son, at Hope, and H. J. Meeder, were down at my place for wood and posts; and they were requested to bring back some plum trees. A dispute arose as to which were plum trees. Jim said plums have thorns on; so they concluded to dig the trees with the thorns on, and in their grand mistake they dug up about twenty thorny apples. I should take them to be inexperienced nursery men.

The P. M., at Gallatin, is having a touch of paint, and other improvements, put on his house.

GALLATIN, DAK.

ED. COURIER—We were somewhat surprised to see a little paragraph in a late issue of the COURIER, something like this: "What a pity that some of the opposite sex don't make our bachelors happier than they are. Their lot is beyond description. J. P."

Thinking a little good advice might not go amiss, I have concluded to send you a few lines, although I am a poor penman, and forgot to get a dictionary when last in town. Now, Mr. Correspondent, whose fault is it? Are the fair sex not willing to meet you half way? I heard one, of a marriageable age, and who lives in your neighborhood, say the other evening "It was real mean for so many of the boys to go back east and get married, while there are so many girls in the country." I heard you say, when you used to drive oxen, "If you had anything but oxen, you could start out and pick up a wagon load of girls any day." But since you got the ladies we don't see as you pay any more attention to the fair sex than you did before, but I would suggest, the next time you drive into a neighbor's yard, please tie the mules; don't leave them to wander into the garden again, and eat up the lady's lilac bushes and current bushes. Women's weapons are dangerous things sometimes. Now, I would suggest, the next time you go to see your girl be careful and tie the mules, and ask your little darling to go riding; if she is a trifle bashful, just ask her mother to go with you a few times, till the little bird gets over her heart flutter, then you are all right. You have probably heard the old adage: "It is a good plan sometime to salt the old cow, in order to catch the calf." And

if you succeed, the rest of us "baches" may take courage, and be benefited by your example. X

Bald Hill.

Mr. Kustar has received a car load of goods, lumber, and stock.

J. J. Mills and T. F. Robinson hauled fifty bushels of wheat to Cooperstown with two four year old, wild Oregon colts.

J. L. Haskell has a fast mare. Her great trouble is with her front legs, which seem to be sort o' stuck to the ground like.

Jack McDonald has been around canvassing for insurance; but the Farmers' Mutual was ahead of him.

D. Sinclair has started his stock ranch—in his mind.

The ladies are at work among their roses; you can't tell which are the roses and which are the ladies, except by their thorns.

The creek is full of fish. A pike was caught which weighed 21 pounds.

Lived Within His Means.

James Walker, who died in Uniontown, Ohio, recently, was a miser, and had accumulated about \$20,000, which he had invested in United States bonds, to escape taxation. In the summer his principal food was clover leaves and bran, and in the winter he spent most of his time in bed, and lived on raw corn meal.

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AMUSEMENTS DURING THE ENGLISH FASHIONABLE SEASON.

Men are Scarce and Women are Floppy. The Ball and the Drum—"Frisky Dancers"—The London Season—The Races.

There is one respect in which, as far as they have got, American Anglo-maniacs have not yet imitated the English. That is in fixing the time of year which fashionable society calls the "season." In America, about this time of year, fashionable people are preparing for their summer flight to the seashore, to the country, to the mountains, across the water, or wherever else fancy takes them. The season is over, at least it will be immediately after Easter.

In London, on the contrary, the season is just beginning. Rich families who are in society are coming up to town. The fashionable season begins immediately after Easter, and continues through May, June and July. From "Easter to Goodwood" is the period in which balls, receptions and other so-called amusements are at their maddest and merriest. "Goodwood" means the Goodwood races, which come at the end of July. After Aug. 12, says a recent writer, the season is not only dead but buried. The rest of the year fashionable society houses itself in the country, for an Englishman loves rural life only less than he loves a lord.



YOUTHS WHO DANCE.

Dancing men are in great request during the season. Indeed men of any sort are, and for this reason it is said any man with good clothes and good manners can get into society in the metropolis. But the British are extremely particular about manners much more so than Americans, so it is perhaps not so easy after all.

London society is made up of much the same people that compose it in New York, except that there are more women in it. Daughters, daughters everywhere. Mothers bring their girls to balls and receptions as to a market. But there are so many more of them than there are eligible men, that London society becomes a real scramble for husbands to an extent which one must hope will remain forever unknown in America.

One constituent of London society, that perhaps enjoys the jolliest time of all, is called the "frisky matron" element. This is composed of lively married ladies, young or not as the case may be, who give little dinners and entertainments on a small scale. They go to bachelor club suppers and loom large at bachelor club balls. But they are frowned on by the solemn British matrons in high life, especially those with daughters to marry, which most of them have. But the "frisky matron" element gives a large share of its life and spice to the London fashionable world.

Balls, dinners and "drums" are the leading entertainments of London society. The ball is the most important. In a more civilized age than ours doubtless the wonder will be how a people could have seen any fun in an assemblage which is little else than a jam. Guests go to be presented to their hostess and her daughters, who stand at the top of a staircase to greet the new comers. In the ballroom all is a huddled, struggling mass of humanity. Women—mothers, chaperones and girls—range around the walls two and three deep. There they are pinned. Men are so scarce that when occasionally a masculine creature in evening dress approaches the throng of women and asks a girl to dance he really does it patronizingly, as though he were bestowing a favor.



ON THE STAIRCASE.

The only proper enjoyment anybody can have is that attained by the two or three fortunate couples—young lovers and flirts, chiefly—who manage to split off from the rest of the wriggling mass and get seats upon the rear staircase at a London party.

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