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Our Washington Letter.

From John Smith.

WASHINGTON, July 19, 1886.

A friend from Brookings county tells
me that the town of Brookings only
needs a water supply, to make that a
splendid city. If that is the case, let
the water be found. Now if it were
whisky that they need, the price might
be an objection. But water: turn on
the hose.

I have seen Captain Maratta out driv-
ing with the secretary of the Interior. I
have seen him riding on a street car
with the attorney general. I have seen
him talking with the president. You
may guess how easy it will be for any
of the Dakota "statesmen" to down
that sort of a man. They might as well
try to suppress John Smith.

Major Burke has been appointed re-
ceiver of the Aberdeen land office. This
gives me an opportunity to say, "I told
so."

Charlie Frost will be appointed spe-
cial agent of the land office for the Far-
go district. He would have been ap-
pointed long ago if he had gone at it
right. But he trusted to one in whom
there should be placed no confidence;
hence, he was deceived. His eyes are
now open to the political day light.

Do you know that there is nothing
that does Dakota so much harm as her
numerous statesmen. They come down
here like a flock of grasshoppers, and
it was but a repetition of what they
have been doing for years. If they
would come down here occasionally,
either singly or in pairs, they might do
some good. But when they come and
live here at the expense of the dear peo-
ple and spend all their time in teasing
others down, they are barnacles, and
should be scraped off. I am led to
make these remarks by reason of the
fact that I have just been informed that
there is soon to be another host of the
statesmen here. Well, there's no law
against it, and I suppose they can come
if they want to. But, before any of
you spend your money for them, just be
certain that you don't want that money
yourself. If you do, keep it. The
statesmen can do you no good. If Ma-
jor Burke, Frost, Maratta, and others
had trusted to the alleged statesmen,
they would never have seen political
day light. The way to do this is to
come on here yourself, and look after
the office you want, and after you have
seen the way the thing is done, go home
and patiently wait upon the Lord.

Above all, trust to the word of none of
the professional office getters. They are
all rascals and liars, and there isn't
enough truth in all of them to cover a
grain of mustard seed. That's getting
them down pretty fine, but it is all fact.
And in the entire class of office brokers,
the Dakota bombast is the greatest and
the worst. These are words of wisdom.

Jules Guthridge, the correspondent
who took the place of Gil Pierce, as the
Washington correspondent of the Chi-
cago News, made an effort to interview
Maratta this evening at the National
Hotel. He failed to get Captain Dan to
say anything, but Maratta interviewed
him, and got him to talk quite freely.
Among other things, he said:

"The governor is quite a warm friend
of mine, and I look out for his interests
as much as I can. He has offered to re-
sign a number of times, and the presi-
dent would be glad to appoint a demo-
cratic successor, if he could; but he can-
not. He likes Pierce, and believes him
to be a good governor, and he is not
going to make any change until he finds
the right man. The trouble is entirely
with the democratic party. Mr. Zie-
bach's friends filed a lot of silly charges
against Governor Pierce, and tried to
kill him off in that way, thinking there-
by to force Ziebach upon the adminis-
tration. But, the president knew that
Ziebach was not the man. Moreover, he
was disgusted with the man who filed

the charges against Pierce. He would
not do anything for him, because he did
not believe him to be sincere and honest.

Pierce will never be removed, because
he will resign whenever he is informed
that the president wants his resignation.
I believe that the president has selected
a man for the position and that Pierce
will soon resign."

"Did you know that he was talked of
for delegate to congress?" said Maratta.
"Yes, I have heard that talk, but it
don't amount to much. Pierce is friend-
ly to Gifford, the present delegate, and
will work for his re-nomination. He
does not want the office himself. He
believes that Gifford has done his party
and territory good service, and he is in
favor of sending him back for another
term.

"Do you have any idea who the dem-
ocrats will nominate this year, in Dak-
ota?" said Maratta.

"Certainly I do," said Guthridge.
"They will nominate a man from Bis-
marck, named Maratta, and he is about
your size and make, too."

"Is that so?" said Maratta. "Well if
they do, I can tell you I'm going to emi-
grate, for I don't want any office of that
kind. Several other fellows have been
using my name for that place. I don't
know why, unless they want to kill me
off, for I certainly don't want the office,
and won't have it."

Judge Gifford came up while they
were talking, and as he refused to talk
on those subjects, the conversation
turned on the crops, and all that sort of
thing, which you know more about than
we do.

This beastly congress isn't going to
adjourn for another month or two. It's
getting hotter than three in a bed in
harvest time, and the mosquitoes are
getting to affectionate for anything,
even a newly married couple. July and
August are good months to emigrate
from Washington City.

The report reaches here, that M. L.
McCormack, and M. H. Day, are in the
Hills, working up a delicate deligate
boom; and that the man most interest-
ed in that boom, is the celebrated Irish
orator, McCormick. It is to be hoped
that he may be nominated and as soon
as the convention does nominate him,
he will do as he did before; that is, open
his bar and spend fifteen cents. Your
liberal men are the kind of fellows to
have for candidates.

The president has selected a Dakota
man to be governor of Dakota. His
name is ??? JOHN SMITH

"Tis nice to be a congressman;
And sling upon the nose,
A man who casts reflections
On you, and on your clothes.

It was all about the repeal of the pre-
emption law. The Pioneer Press says:
Mr. Evans saw the face of the Indi-
anian flush an apoplectic red as he rose
from his seat and said: "If I had you
out of doors I'd whale hell out of you."

"You can't get out there any too soon to
suit me," returned Laird, springing to
his feet, and following Cobb out. No
one upon the floor seemed to notice the
action of the two gentlemen, and Mar-
quis of Queensbury rules might have
held sway over the green sward just be-
yond the house terrace had not Evans
who was riveted to his seat for a mo-
ment, suddenly rushed over to Payson
and told him that Cobb and Laird had
gone out to fight. Payson, who is very
friendly with Cobb, and Strait of Min-
nesota, who is on equally friendly terms
with Laird, followed them out into the
corridors and found them on the first
landing of the staircase at the west end
of the lobby, both evidently determined
on reaching the open air as soon as pos-
sible. Payson grasped Cobb by the col-
lar, saying: "Cobb, come back here.
Don't act like a fool. You men will
ruin yourselves acting in such a childish
manner." At the same time Strait
reached Laird, who was ahead, and suc-
ceeded with much difficulty in getting
him to retrace his steps. Cobb had re-
turned to the head of the stairs and step-
ped inside the open doors of the lobby,
about six feet distant from the head of
the stairs. Payson had released him and
stepped aside, just outside the door.
Strait let Laird's arm drop and moved
over a couple of steps beside Payson.
No one stood between the two men and
they faced each other, choked with rage.
Then Laird said: "Well, you're a lying
—of a—. Now you have your pro-
vocation, and can take it up. I tell you
when I do catch you outside I'll shoot
you so full of holes your friends won't
recognize you." "You're a perjured
—of a—, and I can prove it," replied
Cobb. Hardly were the words audible
to the two spectators when Laird bound-
ed forward, his left shot out and landed

lightly but firmly on Cobb's upper lip
and nose. After giving the blow Laird
drew back and waited the return he
fully expected would come. Cobb made
no move whatever, for immediately fol-
lowing Laird's blow came a rush of
blood from the nose and cut lip. He
hesitated a moment, then passed out
the door directly beside his assailant
and between Payson and Strait and en-
tered the washroom, followed by Payson.
Strait took Laird's arm and walked him
up and down the outside corridor for a
few times, and his anger gradually
cooled. Within fifteen minutes he ap-
peared upon the floor of the house, and
five minutes after Cobb was in his seat.
What the action of the house will be is
not known. The general feeling is in
favor of letting the whole matter drop.

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weeds in the Territory of Dakota," was
passed by the Territorial Legislature
and approved by the Governor March
12th 1885, making it incumbent upon
every road overseer to see that the weeds
named in said act are destroyed, in case
of a failure of occupant of the lands
upon which they grow.

Dated June 25th 1886.

Iver Jacobson
Dist. Atty. Griggs Co.

Notice.

To whom it may concern:
The bank of Cooperstown, Cooper-
town, D. T. Stevens & Pickett, prop-
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above bank, are requested to file such
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not filed within given limit, will not be
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St. Paul, May 10, 1886.

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Notice.—U. S. Land Office, Fargo, D. T., June
28, 1886. Complaint having been entered at this office
by Victor K. Anderson against Luther T. Sowle
for failure to comply with law as to timber-cul-
ture entry No. 6,396, dated May 21, 1884, upon the
nw 1/4 section 8, 19, 14, E. 1/4, in Griggs county,
Dakota Territory, with a view to the cancellation
of said entry; contestant alleging that the said
Luther T. Sowle has failed to comply with the
timber culture law by not breaking, or causing to be
broken, five acres of said tract during the first
year of said entry ending May 21, 1885, and has
also failed to break or cause to be broken five
acres thereon, or cultivate to crop or otherwise
five acres during the second year after entry end-
ing May 21, 1884, and also failed to plant or
cause to be planted five acres of said tract to trees
tree seeds, nuts, or cuttings during the third year
after entry, and also failed to plant or cause to be
planted five acres or any part thereof to trees,
tree seeds, nuts or cuttings, during the fourth
year after entry; that said failure so exists at
the present time; the said parties are hereby sum-
moned to appear at this office on the 12th day of
August, 1886, at 10 o'clock a. m., to respond and
furnish testimony concerning said alleged fail-
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L. C. GEMREY, Receiver.

J. A. Lawrence, C. M. Lawrence,
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