

TIME TABLE.

S. C. & T. M. RAILROAD.
 Trains make the round trip every day, except
 Sunday, leaving Cooperstown at 8:30 a. m. and
 returning at Sanborn 11:30 a. m. Returning, leaves
 Sanborn at 4:15 p. m. and arrives at Cooperstown
 at 7 p. m.
 N. P. Railroad, main line—Passenger trains
 leave Sanborn:
 Going east..... 4:04 p. m.
 Going east..... 10:11 p. m.
 Going east..... 8:10 a. m.
 Going west..... 6:55 a. m.
 Going west..... 11:41 a. m.
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*Contracts taken in Steele
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No Chromos given as premium; but for
 \$2. in advance, you get the best agri-
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COOPERSTOWN.

A prominent capitalist of Maine, who
 owns wild lands in nearly every western
 state and territory, said, over his own
 signature, in a letter to the Kennebec
 Journal, over a year ago: "Of my land-
 ed interests in the west I regard my
 North Dakota property as, ultimately,
 of the most value, and my acres in
 Griggs county as the most valuable of
 North Dakota investments, as far as
 quality and character of the soil are
 concerned." The county is one of the
 smallest in the territory, 720 square
 miles in area, made up of gently rolling
 lands, lower than the coteau lands of the
 Missouri, and some 200 feet higher

than the Red River Valley—all magnifi-
 cent wheat land, drained by the Sheyenne
 river and its main branch, which pass
 through the county, and diversified by
 beautiful lakes and productive meadows.
 The spring floods and the autumn
 drouths affect this "heart of Dakota"
 less than any other section of the wheat
 belt.

The capital of the county is Coopers-
 town, the terminus of the Sanborn
 & Cooperstown branch of the Northern
 Pacific. The road was designed to end
 here, and here in all probability the ter-
 minus will remain. Directly north of
 us is the unproductive reservation of the
 Cuthead Sioux, and Devil's Lake, north-
 east is the territory of the Manitoba

railroad, whose line from St. Paul to
 Chicago is a diagonal, as distinguished
 from the right angle which the branch
 makes with the Northern Pacific railroad.
 To the northwest of us, but a few miles,
 are Carrington and Minnewaukan, with
 a branch of the Northern Pacific rail-
 road extending from Jamestown, and
 obviating the extension of our branch in
 that direction. An extension east or
 west would only be made after the
 lapse of years. A great country trade
 naturally results for Cooperstown.
 Nearly a thousand car loads of wheat
 have already been shipped from this
 point this season, a showing that can be
 equaled by no other town of 500 inhab-
 itants in the world. A fine court house

of red brick, erected at an expense of
 \$30,000, insures the holding of the
 county seat for all time, and ornaments
 the town.

A commodious hotel, erected at an ex-
 pense of \$20,000, furnishes accommoda-
 tion to the traveler, and two enormous
 elevators are engaged day and night in
 handling the product of the county.

A magnificent high school building,
 and numerous churches, demonstrate
 the respectability and intelligence of the
 people.

Timber is abundant upon the river
 and wood is furnished in town at \$5 per
 cord. The roads are at all times in ad-
 mirable condition, and no pleasanter
 spot for a country life could be selected
 in the west.



The above cut represents the Court
 House at Cooperstown, which is of solid
 brick, erected and furnished at an ex-
 pense of \$30,000. Among other promi-
 nent buildings erected in 1886, are the
 Congregational, and Norwegian Meth-
 odist Episcopal Churches, handsome
 and commodious structures, that would
 grace a city of ten times the size of the
 Capital of Griggs County.

Nine hundred car loads of wheat, at
 ten tons per car, have been shipped
 from the Cooperstown station this sea-
 son. This is equivalent to 300,000
 bushels. At an average cash valua-
 tion of 70 cents per bushel, \$210,000 have
 been distributed to the farmers for
 wheat alone. The population of Griggs

county is about 2,000, and the wheat
 distribution has been over \$100 to ever-
 man, woman, and child within its lim-
 its. In addition, we have had a market
 well supplied with live stock, poultry,
 butter, cheese, eggs, garden produce,
 and other cereals besides wheat.
 Probably no tract of land, of equal

size in the world, is capable of greater
 production than this most fertile county
 of the most fertile territory, of the most
 fertile nation, of the most fertile conti-
 nent, of the most fertile planet of which
 we know. Probably no community of the
 same number of people in this territory,
 or in any other new county, were ever

so happily situated, financially, on the
 average, as our people. We have still
 room for more settlers. The facts stat-
 ed, regarding the shipment of grain at
 this point will be verified, to the doubt
 ing, by the affidavits of the managers of
 the elevators, R. C. Cooper and G. N.
 Stork.

Any inquiries regarding the county, directed to the Courier Office, will be cheerfully answered; and any person desiring to purchase improved, and unimproved, real estate, cheap for cash, or in exchange for unincumbered city property in the Northwest, can be accommodated with fine sections, of early selection, without commission, by the **COURIER.**