

AROUND TOWN.

Wheat 55@56 cents. First snow of the season, today. Joe Jamison, went to Willow to vote. H. Gillespie cast his ballot at Church's. Miss Anna Stenson, has returned from her visit to Mayville. Don't forget, boys, to call around, and settle your ticks bill. Bert Bloom and C. H. Mosely, were in from Helena, Tuesday. Alex. Chalness, of Gallatin, made us a pleasant call, Wednesday. Miss Hampton, of Wisconsin, is visiting with Mr and Mrs. O. C. Ford. J. L. Haskell, has moved into the old Dakota house, for the winter. Jack Little, of Dazey, came up on Wednesday's train, returning yesterday. Mr. H. V. Safford, was left for commissioner, at Willow, by a small majority.

John M. Fairbanks, has sold his station "Duke" to Curtis Bros, south of town. Dr. Kerr, received a good majority, in spite of the handsome vote which Prof. Hodge obtained. Iver Jacobson would "set'em up," if there was any place where the stuff could be obtained. The president designates November 25th as the day of prayer, and Thanksgiving.

Rollef Berg's mascot at the polls, was a barrel of apples. Miss Jennie Sheeley, has completed her term of school at Helena, and is visiting friends in town. Henry Haugen, has been improving his home, until it presents a fine appearance. The summer blizzard of yesterday, converted the COURIER coal shed into kindling wood.

Miss Lina Hagen, sister of Mrs. Harry Blow, arrived last week, for a few weeks visit. Dr. Newell, M. A. Ueland, Judge Nelson and J. W. Fiero, are the most popular men in the county. P. L. Hoiland, of Aneta, is absent, and it is reported, on account of financial difficulties. Treasurer-elect Thompson, Monday, shot Mrs. Sutherland's pet Sandhill crane—one crane got away. Be careful how you vote next time. Mark.

The freight bill on a package just received, from Milwaukee to St. Paul, was \$1.86. The freight on the same package from St. Paul to Cooperstown, was \$6.31. Quite a difference. Mosely, Hemmingson and Conant, are the new commissioners. They are all good men—they take the COURIER. Thompson is sorry election is over—he says he enjoyed it, and as a matter of fact, we believe he did. Jo. Buchheit and Herbert Smart were left; but just the same, either of them would have made a good Register.

Treasurer Enger, will have more time for his hardware business now. He had the hardest fight of any man in the county, inasmuch as his opponent was exceptionally strong, and never tired. Sheriff Michaels, polled nearly the entire vote, in his home district. Mr. Langford was also strongest where he was best known. Judge MacLaren, went out goose hunting the day before election, and the day after, and is as chipper as if he had carried the county by a big majority. D. W. Sprague and K. H. Brunsdale, made us a call, Saturday last. Mr. Brunsdale has since been elected treasurer of Steele county. W. R. Whidden, still speaks to the neighbors; Messrs Melgard, Ellis and Nelson, will soon don—not the ermine—but the con skin. Harry Wasser, talks a little louder than usual; while Ole O. Groff, O. A. Johnson and Gid Sheldon have not turned a hair in the struggle. O. C. Ford, John Syverson and Joseph Allen, presided at the Cooperstown precinct, with great dignity. Joseph's "Hear ye hear ye!" was particularly impressive. A. C. Wanderlich and C. P. Miller, kept the books. The election dance at the school house Wednesday night, under the management of the Cooperstown orchestra, drew out about twenty couples, who danced merrily till morning. Dancing commenced about 10:30. A number of gentlemen unaccompanied by ladies, adorned the walls, but did not get much exercise.

J. W. Fiero, and wife, are about to go to New York City for the winter. A. N. Adams, has opened his hardware store again. Mart Wasser has taken West Brown's place on the Cooperstown branch. Mart is a very accomplished brakeman. West has gone east. Dick Hall and Dick Bowers, killed thirty-seven geese, Tuesday afternoon. Harry Pease, of Pickett, is the new clerk in Whidden's Bros. Paul Flick, was down from Willow, Tuesday. W. H. Hyde, has erected a barn just west of A. Haskell's residence. Knud Thompson, said after he had read last week's Democrat, that he thought the articles were diplomas. Mrs. Edwin Bradley, and infant, returned to town Monday. Engineer Buckley, and Fireman Dodd, took their engine to Fargo, Saturday night, for repairs, returning at 2:30, Monday morning. Pete Stewart, is plastering T. C. Whidden's residence. Mrs. M. Zimmerman gave a party for Bertha last week, on her eleventh birthday. About thirty-five little folks were in attendance, and, to judge by the noise they made, they had an elegant time. Edwin Bradley, is putting up, it is alleged, a 12x14 flour and feed store. What will he do next? Dr. McGuire, was in Dazey, Monday, in attendance upon Mrs. Clendening, who is very low. The Doctor thinks she will recover. W. T. Spellman, traveling agent for Cargill Bros., was in town election day. Cargill Bros. have 130 elevators in the Northwest, and 60 in North Dakota. To look at E. C. Ward, one would not suppose him to be a bold, bad man. Just the same, he repeated on election day. Ward is from New York, and it is now rumored, that he used to belong to the Tweed gang. The genial and efficient conductor of the lightning express, Mr. F. B. Leavitt, is back from his farm in Southern Minnesota. Mrs. Leavitt accompanied him. Our proposed democratic contemporary is not definitely located yet. N. L. Sifton, it is reported, is backing the enterprise, although the extent of the partnership is not given. Rev. Mr. Frost, preached to a large congregation, last Sunday, and very properly called the attention of his listeners to the neglected and unfinished church. The good people of Cooperstown, should generously contribute towards pushing to completion this house of worship, which is much needed for the accommodation of the church going people of the moral young town. The Misses Hanson & Louea, have opened up a fine assortment of ladies hats, bonnets, etc., at the residence of Mrs. John Lloyd, and invite the ladies of Cooperstown and vicinity, to inspect their stock. See their card elsewhere. The Gull River Lumber Company, has issued a beautiful little pamphlet, which, although designed as an advertisement, contains much valuable information, about painting, measurements, building, etc. It is handsomely illustrated, and is a fine specimen of fine advertising. We are indebted to Mr. E. W. Blackwell for a copy. It beats the Dickens, how hoggyish some people are. In addition to 533 votes for Treasurer, Knud Thompson captured some eight or ten votes for Assessor, and he hasn't anything against John Fiero, either. A legislative candidate wished Cash Yancy to labor in his behalf; and volunteered that he would "make it right" with him, "after election." "What's the matter of making it right now?" inquired Cash. "I'm so tender hearted, that if you don't pay in advance I shan't have the heart to present any bills. Ho! ho! ho! Do you tumble?" The gentleman didn't tumble. Gunder Nave, shows us a silver bound cup, holding about a quart, made from an abnormal growth of the birch tree. The growth alluded to, is a huge vegetable wen which, when hollowed out, makes a cup. Upon the silver band is engraved "Esten Asborson Anna, 1825." He claims to have obtained it from his grandfather, Ole Peterson, (still living) who obtained it from his father, Peter Olson, who obtained it from an older member of the family. The cup has been, it is alleged, in this Norwegian family, for 261 years. Some hieroglyphics upon the bottom of the cup, may furnish additional evidence of its antiquity; but we can't read them.

The COURIER, has added twelve names to its subscription list, this week. Mrs. B. B. Brown, lost her new felt hat, in a gale of wind, Tuesday evening. If the party who shot the COURIER dog in the left ear, this week will be kind enough to quit shooting the aforesaid animal, we will give him a ten dollar note, for every tooth mark the dog leaves on him. Otherwise, the dog may be hurt. Mr. and Mrs. Pickett, are back from their bridal tour. Geo. E. Bowers, editor of the Hiboro Banner, one of the ablest papers in the North, has been ill of typhoid fever, but is up again. The COURIER, has this day received a new job stock, that for lack of room, necessitates our closing out a first class line of letter heads, note heads, bill heads, statements, business cards, envelopes, at greatly reduced prices. All job stock at the COURIER office is of the best quality.

Suicide. P. N. Laird, one of the early settlers of Valley City, and who for six years past has lived at Tower City, on his farm, committed suicide, Sunday. His wife and one son were living with him, and for several weeks had noticed that he was a little "off." Sunday evening he came into the house and sat with his hat on. His wife suggested that he remove it; he said "No," that he must go out and feed the pigs. His son coming in from the stable saw him dodge around the corner of the house. Mr. Laird not returning, the son went over to the church, of which his father was a prominent member, expecting to find him there. He was not there, and another hour having elapsed, search was instituted. At nine o'clock the old man's body was found in a pool of water under the railroad bridge, a half mile east of town. The pool is about thirty feet in diameter, and four feet deep. He had waded deliberately into the water and laid down on his face. He was dragged out with a garden rake, and, on unbuckling his coat, about fifty pounds of iron from a Cassidy sully plow, was found weighting him down. Mr. F. H. Knowles and other parties had seen the old man examining the pool carefully at noon, the same day. He was always erratic, and there is little doubt that domestic infelicities and financial embarrassment finally wrecked his mind. He was about sixty years of age and an active christian.

Romness. Sheriff Michaels, was in the valley, Monday, on official duties, and also to deal out cigars, and straighten out some campaign stories, among the boys. Treasurer Enger, came down to the river Monday, on a goose hunt, and to see if any of the boys have left him, if so, he would like for each, and every one, to fall in the rucks again, and vote for him. Many of the farmers in this vicinity, have been to Portland, to mill. They have all brought home a load of flour, and some, a jug of rum. They think whiskey can't be had in Cooperstown, now, until after the election. Knud Thompson, the republican nominee for county treasurer, came through here Wednesday, driving his ponies, (as he calls them) about a mile a minute, singing the old Yankee Doodle, and saying he must have "a majority in this precinct, so you had better get these ponies—you can rest after election—here's a cigar, friend, I must go." Stump speeches was held by our best speakers, election day, in the English, German and Scandinavian, languages. Apples were eaten, cigars smoked, and some "fire water" down under the hill, in exchange for votes. All in all, a pleasant day was passed. Services were held last Sunday in the school house, by Rev. O. K. Quamme, of the Norwegian Lutheran church. The Ladies' Aid society, met at Mrs. Vestern's Wednesday, their next meeting will be at Mrs. Hogenson's the first Wednesday in December. Nels Nelson, has captured a number of beavers. They have built a dam across the river, evidently intending having a mill there. SUBSCRIBER. Gallatin. Election is over, and the boys will have to buy their own cigars from this on. I bought a pair of bronze turkeys, for Mrs. Simpson, now Mrs. Simpson has the finest string of turkeys in the country. There is more electioneering for the nominees here, than there are voters. Sander Sanderson, has gone to Chicago, to make barrels, and will return in the spring to grow No 1 hard. Condemn a man that will put himself up for office, and then withdraw just before election.

George E. Wheeler left a few days ago for Duluth Minn., where he has a son, and a daughter. He will remain there a few days, and then return to his duties under Uncle Sam. W. J. Wheeler, was off duty, for a few days, to make a trip to Valley City. He will be found in the shop hereafter. Square Clendening, had a rib fractured by slipping off the sidewalk. He is fast improving, as we see him around again. Martin Everson, lost his granery and about forty bushels of grain, by fire, caused by the explosion of a lantern. Jack Little, has returned from his eastern trip, and is again on deck. Everything went off smooth on election day, but it was the dulllest election we ever had. DAD.

After Election. "How am I making it?" "Don't mention it! Don't mention it!"

Lost, Strayed, or Stolen. From the farm of John Kelly, Sec. 2, Tp. 142, R. 60. One red cow, about seven years old, rope around horns; also one red calf, star in forehead. A liberal reward given for the recovery. GEORGE KELLY, DAZEY, DAK.

Notice. Parties having ordered trees of Ferris, are requested to call for them at the office of SIMINGTON & MILLER.

Notice to Contractors. Bids will be received at the Clerk's office in Romness school township, in Griggs county, D. T., on Saturday, the 13th day of November, 1886, at one o'clock p. m., for the carpenter work in building a school house to be located on the southwest quarter of Sec. 22, town 147, range 58 west. Plans and specifications to be seen at the clerk's office. Dated at Romness, Oct. 20, 1886. JOHN HOGENSEN, School Township Clerk.

Notice to Creditors. Territory of Dakota, County of Griggs, ss. In Probate court. In the matter of the estate of Platt S. Buell, deceased. Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned has been duly appointed, executor of the last will and testament of Platt S. Buell, deceased, has been duly qualified as such. All persons having claims against the estate of said Platt S. Buell, are hereby notified and required to exhibit the same, with proper vouchers therefor, to the undersigned, at the office of the judge of probate, of the county of Griggs, aforesaid, within four months from the first publication of this notice, which is made on the 22nd day of Oct. 1886. WALLACE P. BUELL, Sole Executor.

SUBSCRIBERS TAKE NOTICE. We have made such arrangements with The Northwestern Farmer and Breeder, of Fargo, Dakota, as to enable us to make the following liberal offer: Every one who will pay one year's subscription to the COURIER in advance having all arrangements, if any, paid up, will be presented with one year's subscription to this splendidly conducted agricultural stock journal, which is acknowledged to be one of the most practical papers of the kind published in the Northwest. We should like to see the COURIER and The Farmer in every household in Griggs county. The Farmer is a favorite paper, printed and bound in a neat and readable form, and contains the views, experiences and sentiments of Northwestern farmers, and is therefore more suitable for Dakota readers, than Eastern farm journals. NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Oct. 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: Hans Nelson D. S. No. 16,981, for the sec. 10 of sec. 12, Tp. 147, R. 61 W., and range 58, in Griggs county, D. T., with a view to the cancellation of said entry; contestant alleging that said Jacob J. Hire has wholly failed to break or cause to be broken, upon said tract, any time since making said entry up to the present date, and that said tract is at the present time within one year after date of said entry, a second five acres within two years after date of said entry; that the said tract is at the present time well prairie in its natural state, wholly devoid of improvement; that said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 30th day of November, 1886, at 10 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged failure. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. A. B. GERRILL, Plaintiff's Attorney, Fargo, Dak.

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THEO. F. KERR, M. D. Physician and Surgeon. Cooperstown, Dakota.

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—U. S. Land office, Fargo, D. T., Oct. 25, 1886. Complaint having been entered at this office by Ben A. Thorsgaard against Jacob J. Hire, for failure to comply with law as to timber culture entry No. 9,431, dated April 24th, 1884, upon the sec. 10 of section 32, township 145, range 61, w. 1, in Griggs county, D. T., with a view to the cancellation of said entry; contestant alleging that said Jacob J. Hire has wholly failed to break or cause to be broken, upon said tract, any time since making said entry up to the present date, and that said tract is at the present time within one year after date of said entry, a second five acres within two years after date of said entry; that the said tract is at the present time well prairie in its natural state, wholly devoid of improvement; that said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 30th day of November, 1886, at 10 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged failure. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. A. B. GERRILL, Plaintiff's Attorney, Fargo, Dak.

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—U. S. Land office, Fargo, D. T., Oct. 25, 1886. Complaint having been entered at this office by Edward A. Thorsgaard against John L. Benson for abandoning his homestead entry No. 10,438, dated April 24th, 1884, upon the northwest 1/4 of section 32, township 145, range 61, w. 1, in Griggs county, D. T., with a view to the cancellation of said entry; contestant alleging that said John L. Benson has wholly failed to break or cause to be broken, upon said tract, any time since making said entry up to the present date, and that said tract is at the present time within one year after date of said entry, a second five acres within two years after date of said entry; that the said tract is at the present time well prairie in its natural state, wholly devoid of improvement; that said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 30th day of November, 1886, at 10 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. A. B. GERRILL, Plaintiff's Attorney, Fargo, Dak.

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—U. S. Land office, Fargo, D. T., Oct. 25, 1886. Complaint having been entered at this office by Knud Thompson against John Johnson for abandoning his homestead entry No. 12,960, dated April 24th, 1884, upon the southeast 1/4 of section 32, township 145, range 61, w. 1, in Griggs county, Dakota Territory, with view to the cancellation of said entry; contestant alleging that said Knud Thompson has wholly failed to break or cause to be broken, upon said tract, any time since making said entry up to the present date, and that said tract is at the present time within one year after date of said entry, a second five acres within two years after date of said entry; that the said tract is at the present time well prairie in its natural state, wholly devoid of improvement; that said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 30th day of November, 1886, at 10 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. A. B. GERRILL, Plaintiff's Attorney, Fargo, Dak.

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