THE COURIER

FRIDAY, DEC. 3, 1886.

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There is talk of reducing the exemptions this winter. Such talk is perennial, but the exemption law, unmolested, yet lingers on our statute book. It is argued that the very liberality of the law to the farmer, in this respect, is his ruin—that he cannot get credit for the necessaries of life without securing his debt, and that this inability drives him into the power of the capitalist and his agent, who "squeeze" him for all he is worth. This is the best argument in the world for letting the exemption laws alone. If the farmer has no credit, because of his exemptions, he cannot abuse the credit system of business. He pays cash, or else he purchases money at so high a rate of interest that he is taught economy and prudence. I it is to the merchant that he gives his mortgage, without an exorbitant rate of interest, he is as well off as if his credit was enlarged and his exemptions decreased.

The slatemakers in their work have left out of the calculations ex-Governor Horace Austin, of Fargo the man who made Governor-elect McGill an insurance commissioner. When the last campaign opened Governor Austin was register of the Fargo land office. He applied for permission to be absent for two months, and when asked the reason, wrote that he wished to take part in the Minnesota campaign. The Washington authorities said they would give him the privilege of resigning, as such participation would be contrary to the civil service rules. He did not hesitate to take the cue and resigned. Just what office he wants or what will be tendered him is yet to be told.—*Pioneer Press.*

A steam mill is seriously talked of at this point. Cooperstown may not be suffering for lack of flour and feed, at reasonable prices, yet ordinary prudence requires that we keep an eye out for the future of the town. There has been much railroad rumbling this season New roads are talked of. Within a few years this talk will materialize, when Cooperstown will suffer loss in its magnificant county trade. When this shall occur it will be far more dificult to build up the place than now. A tangible, populous city has nothing to fear from the little side track marketing points, and every effort should be made now to foster all enterprises that will favorably affect the county seat. The enterprise, apart from its public character, will undoubtedly be a profitable one. Several of our merchants are hauling flour from Portland and Mayville, a distance of over forty miles. Who will be the lucky starter in this movement?

The territorial superintendent has the revision of the school laws under consideration, and proposes to present to the coming session of the legislature such recommendations as are considered necessary or advisable. The assistance of county superintendents and educators generally is solicited by the superintendent. Any suggestions any citizens may be able to make which will assist him in his effort, will be thankfully received and appreciated.—*Ex.*

The school law may need some trifling amendments. But Heaven save us from much legislation on the subject! Before one school law is thoroughly understood, and adjudicated upon, some smart Aleck overturns the whole scheme.

When you meet a defeated candidate talk of the crops—refer to the weather—inquire after his family—go back even to the Revolutionary war, but don't speak of the election. Have some mercy on a fellow human being.—*Mayville Tribune.*

The Hannaford, *Herald* has entered upon its fourth volume under favorable auspices. Mr. R. C. Brophy & Co., have assumed the editorial direction of the journal, and as anything they undertake is done well, the *Herald* is much improved. Among the subjects ably handled, by the genial postmaster, is the subject of intemperance, Injuns, and Biggs' Cough syrup. Editor Brophy seems to agree with Editor Clausen on a variety of subjects, particularly Bigg's Cough Syrup, paints, oils, drugs and tobaccos. We gladly exchange.

Jamestown Capital: From the present indications, it seems that Dr. Collins, the territorial councilman from Grand Forks district, is to be the observed of all observers, in the high house of the next legislature. He is formulating railroad and warehouse pills, that will doubtless raise a breeze. The danger to such legislation, and the cause which it is designed to subserve is in going to extremes, and, by over-reaching, defeating the end sought. Whether Dr. Collins, will do this or not, remains to be seen, when his bills are presented, and their full scope made known. It might do well for the people to do some thinking on the subject, so that they may be prepared to advise additions or modifications to proposed legislation.

Hurrah for Hudson's Bay! At last it would seem that our hopes are to be realized, and the long looked for Hudson's Bay railroad, becomes an accomplished fact. Construction is being pushed rapidly foward, and forty or sixty miles will be built this fall.—*Winnepeg Farmer.*

The Grand Forks *Herald* advocates the passage of a territorial law imposing a territorial tax of $300, and county tax of $25 upon drummers, with a view of fostering and developing the Dakota jobbing and wholesale trade.—*Ex.*

Ole Serumgard, of Devils Lake, carried off the honors of the Ramsey county treasurership by 293 majority over his legal competitor, John W. Maher.—*Ex.*

Harper's Magazine.

The December number is a picture gallery filled with gems for the dear people, and the frame work of reading matter is in harmony with the engravings. In Gen. Lew Wallace's "Boyhood of Christ," Alfred Bramtot depicts the infant Savior upon a bit of mist enveloped rising ground, listenning for celestial voices. This, to our mind, western notions, is better than the prim and priggish efforts of more ambitious artists, in oil. "LaMereVenus" promises well in the text; but one must needs think that the artist wasted a great deal of time over an alleged picturesque subject. "Inasmuch" is one of those tender-hearted cowboy poems written by some theological student, whose western experience extended as far as the Chicago river, and a perusal of the "Tales of the Argonauts." There is considerable about "stranger" and "foaty-miners," and "thar," "play it alone," with some good sentiment. "Polly" is one of the brand of southern stories, in which a Southerner sketches the old life of the south with what is evidently a charming fidelity. The Northerner once had a monopoly on the southern business; but his wares are so inferior to our Uncle Remuses, Craddocks, etc., that they have been driven out of the market. The old Colonel, who is always threatening to sell Torm (who hasn't teched a drap in Gord knows how long), and Torm, are inimitable. Louise Chandler Moulton has some fine lines in connection with an engraving from Elihu Vedder's "Cup of Death." The Editor's Drawer is the same old drawer, and the Easy Chair, tells, among other things, how occasional manuscripts are received by our magazines, and why they are rejected—$4.00.

HARPER BROTHERS.
New York.

The South Dakota legislature has been called. They can show down Jack high, anyhow.

The Drug Store.

Fat Man.—(Running in.) Hough! hough! Doctor, I've got a terrible cough.

Dr.—Is it a dry cough?

F. M.—Yes, sir, it is in my chest.

Dr.—Not a drop, sir—not a drop; neither you, nor any other man can get a drink in my store; now you go right away from here.

F. M.—But, doctor, I have got a cough.

Dr.—Let's hear you cough.

F. M.—Hough! hough! hough!

Dr.—Rats! That's a gin cough. Good day!

Editor Smith, of the Mayville *Tribune*, advocates woman's sufferage.

The *Argus* and *Republican* reach us occasionally this bad weather; and let us know what the wide world is saying.

The Spilkins' Thanksgiving.

The Spilkins family have a new hired girl named Belinda, who was brought on from Montana with a car load of broncho. Now Mrs. S. likes to have a little style about her dinners.

Belinda—Announcing dinner, "Grub's ready."

Mrs. S.—"Did you ever!"

Belinda.—"Will you have soup, Mr. Gibbons? Bean soup—every bean mashed like ground feed." (Mr. Gibbons has a new set of false teeth.)

Mrs. S.—"Bring us a I soup."

Belinda.—(Jerking her thumb at Spilkins.) "He doesn't eat soup."

Mrs. S.—"Did you hear me?"

Belinda.—"Yessum."

Mrs. S.—"And give Mrs. Heavyweight a spoon."

Belinda.—"What size, mum?"

Mrs. S.—"Belinda!"

Belinda.—"Yessum."

Mrs. S.—"And fill Mr. Jones' glass with water."

Belinda.—"Water! He looks as dry as a fish."

Mrs. S.—"Can't you get along without making remarks, Belinda?"

Belinda.—"You are shoutin' I can, mum. If you think I chin you ought to hear my sister-in-law when she's rushin' the growler.'

Mrs. S.—"Did you ever hear such language?"

Belinda.—"It ain't my language I'm hired for, mum. You musn't mind my breaks. If you can stand it, it 'll be the makin' of me, mum. Shall I bring the likker now?"

Mrs. S—"You may bring in the claret, Belinda."

Spilkins.—"Is that the claret I told you to bring from the wine cellar, Belinda?"

Belinda.—"Whist! Whist!"

Spilkins.—"Answer me."

Belinda.—"Shall I mum."

Mrs. S.—(Terribly worried.) Certainly."

Belinda.—"There isn't ten cents worth of salt pork in the cellar, let alone wine, sir. This is belly wash from the blind pig, sure enough."

Spilkins.—"Leave the room."

Mrs. S.—Yes, leave the house, you impertinent thing."

Belinda.—"Pay me my wages, you bag of wind."

Spilkins.—I declare I will have you arrested."

Belinda.—"Ho! ho! Don't you be threatening honest women, you old red nose pelican! In the country I came from the help is the cream of society. I could stand it—not eatin' with them dudes: but your language is just awful for a lady to hear."

Mrs Spilkins is now doing her own work, and she dosen't want any more Montana help.

Three Russians found a bottle of what they supposed to be drug store whiskey, in the road at Ipswich, Dak. Some think it was aconite. Anyhow, it killed them all.

Henry M. Stanley, the African explorer, is back in New York, working up a railroad scheme for the Congo country. It is to be hoped, he will interest Col. Doman in the good work.

Woodside, the Irishman, out wheeled Morgan, the Englishman, at Minneapolis, Nov. 27th.

Harry Wilkes, won the great California trot—Guy Wilkes, second, Antevolo, third, Charley Hilton, fourth.

Slossen, the billiardist, out hippodromed Schaeffer, at St. Louis, Nov. 27th.

Ballou.

Ballou's Monthly for December is at hand. The stories are exceptionally good, and fully justify our remarks as to the improvement in the magazine. The "Editor's Drawer" is a new department and bids fair to rival the "Drawer" of *Harper*. It is the cheapest magazine published; $1.50 per annum.

Ballou's Monthly,
Tremont St., Boston, Mass.

Northern Pacific Collision.

GLYNDON, Dec. 1.—There was a collision this morning at eight o'clock, on the Northern Pacific, between mail train No. 1, and the eastbound passenger train No. 6, on a curve two miles Mukado. Both locomotives were smashed, and the mail car of No. 1 was burned. Conductor Eldred, and the engineer and fireman of No. 6, were all slightly bruised about the head, and mail agent Linnen, was similarly hurt, besides the dislocation of the shoulder. All were surgically treated here, and have gone to the hospital at Brainerd, very comfortably. Part of the western mail was destroyed. The mail train was five hours late and the two trains had conflicting orders.

Only one man was killed—the mail messenger, Tennis. The injured, are Conductor Eldred, badly cut about the head, and severely bruised; his fireman, and the fireman of engine No. nd the other mail messenger on No. 1.

A State Street Shopper's Blunder.

Two fashionably dressed ladies stood one bright afternoon last week before a milliner's window on State street, gazing at the pretty articles of head-wear displayed therein. Presently one moved over to the other side of the window for a closer look at an exquisite bonnet, and, after feasting her eyes for a moment on its beauties, edged back again toward her companion and grasped her arm, squeezing it warmly as she chatted enthusiastically of the wares in the window. For full two minutes she thus stood arm in arm with a person whom she supposed to be her shopping mate, not once taking her eyes from the dead birds, bright ribbons and flowers which adorned the bonnets within the plate glass. But at last the awakening came. Imagine her horror when a Chinaman turned his face toward hers—a huge grin overspreading his features—and remarked

"Chinceman likee lite woman.

Imagine also, if you can, with what suddenness she withdrew her arm from the Chinaman's embrace, and with how many blushes she met the gaze of her lady friend and of other observers who stood near by smiling at her blunder.

I know that this is a true story, for I saw the incident myself.—*Chicago Herald.*

In some of the St. Louis one-horse cars there are brass nickel carriers that run the whole length of the car. From any part of the car you can drop a nickel into one of these carriers and then watch it as it rolls along on its edge down the incline and finally goes rattling into the fare-box. I saw a wild western ranchman come into a car, and after putting his fare in the ordinary way he noticed a new-comer drop a nickel down the elevated railway. The device aroused his utmost admiration. He at once changed a couple of dollars into 5-cent pieces. Then he took his place at the door and started two nickels simultaneously down each side of the car and offered to accept bets as to which would get into the fare-box first. He kept this up until his $2 worth of coin was gone, and wound up by saying: "Wall, that's the durndest contrivance I ever see."—*Detroit Free Press.*

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NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., November 4th, 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: [illegible] or [illegible] of sec. [illegible] tp. [illegible] n. r. 55 w. [illegible] following his witnesses, viz: C. T. Bentley, Martin Skaldammen, Gerhard H. Lochberg and Gilbert T. Bentley, all of Northwood P. O., Grand Forks county, D. T.:—

And Knuth Halvorson Lochberg, of U. S. No. 1621, for the [illegible] of sec. 34, tp. 145 n. r. 55 w. and names the following as his witnesses, viz: C. T. Bentley, Hans T. Omsager, Torger A. Bergan, and Jul Anderson, all of Northwood P. O., Grand Forks county, D. T.

The testimony of claimant and witnesses to be taken before the judge and ex-officio clerk of probate court, at Stoughbrooke, Steele county, D. T., on Friday, the 14th day of January, A. D. 1886, at his office.

MICHAEL F. BATTELLE, Register.
Ames & Stomner, Att'ys. 43-1

Notice of Final Proof—Land office at Fargo, D. T., Nov. 22, 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: Lewis H. Larson, D. S. No. 17494, for the nw ¼ of Sec. 18, tp. 147 n. r. 60 w. and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Andrew Hanson, John Paulson, Andrew Bendickson and John K. Taune, all of Jesse, P. O., Griggs county, D. T.

The testimony of claimant and witnesses to be taken before John N. Jorgensen, clerk of the district court, at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T. on Monday, the 10th day of January, A. D. 1887, at his office. MICHAEL F. BATTELLE, Register.
J. O. OIE, Att'y. 45-50

CONTEST NOTICE.—U. S. Land Office, Fargo Dak., Nov. 3rd, 1886.

Complaint having been entered of this office by John P. Larson against William F. Miller for abandoning his homestead entry No. 12574, dated April 19th, 1883, upon the north east ¼ of section 24, township 145 n. range 62 w. in Foster county, D. T., with a view to the cancellation of entry; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 22nd day of December, 1886, at 10 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment.

MICHAEL F. BATTELLE, Register.
A. B. GUPTILL, Att'y. 4-48

NOTICE OF CONTEST.—U. S. Land Office at Fargo, D. T., November 3rd, 1886.

Complaint having been entered at this office by John P. Larson against William F. Miller for failure to comply with law as to timber culture entry No. 8657, dated April 19th, 1883, upon the nw ¼ of sec. 24, township 145 n. range 62 w. in Foster county, Dakota territory, with a view to the cancellation of said entry, contains alleging that the said William F. Miller has wholly failed to break or cause to be broken any part of said tract since date of said entry up to the date of this contest; or plant or cause to be planted any trees, tree seeds, roots, nuts or cuttings thereon during the same period; and that the whole of said tract is at the date of this contest wild, uncultivated prairie land in its natural state, the said entry 18, 1882, the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 22d day of December, 1886, at 10 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged failure.

MICHAEL F. BATTELLE, Register.
A. B. Guptill, att'y., Fargo, Dak. 43-48

Mortgage Sale.

DEFAULT having been made in the payment of the sum of three hundred and sixty-seven and forty one hundredth dollars, which is claimed to be due at the date of this notice upon a certain mortgage, duly executed and delivered by Joseph C. Valley to Mrs. Rachael S. Hulme, bearing date the 24th day of September, A. D. 1884, and duly recorded in the office of the register of deeds in and for the county of Griggs and territory of Dakota, on the 7th day of October, A. D. 1884, at 11:10 o'clock a. m., in book E of mortgages, on page 53, and no action or proceeding at law or otherwise having been instituted 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 pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed, and the premises described in and covered by said mortgage, viz.

The northwest fractional quarter of section number two (2), in township number one hundred and forty-eight (148), north of range number fifty-eight (58), west of the fifth principal meridian, and containing one hundred and twenty eight and two-one hundredth acres, according to the United States government survey thereof, in Griggs county and territory of Dakota, with the hereditaments and appurtenances, will be sold at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, to pay said debt and interest, and the taxes, if any, on said premises, and fifty dollars attorney's fee, as stipulated in and by said mortgage in case of foreclosure, and the disbursements allowed by law; which sale will be made by the sheriff of said Griggs county or his deputy, at the front door of the court house in Cooperstown, in said county and territory, on the 4th day of January, A. D. 1887, at 10 o'clock a. m. of that day, subject to redemption at any time within one year from the date of sale, as provided by law.

Dated November 16th, A. D. 1886.

MRS. RACHAEL S. HULME,
Mortgagee.
C. M. MACLAREN,
Attorney for Mortgagee. 44-49

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Nov. 16th, 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: Peter Schiver, D. S. No. 16342, for the n ½ se ¼ ne ¼ sw ¼ se ¼ of sec. 20, tp. 148 n. r. 61 w and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Albert A. Coleman, De Forest Conant, William Ripley and David Hannmann, all of Willow P. O., Griggs county, D. T. The testimony of claimant and witnesses to be taken before John N. Jorgenson, Clerk of the district court at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on Friday, the 31st day of December, A. D. 1886, at his office.

MICHAEL F. BATTELLE, Register.
J. O. Oie, Atty. 44-49

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—Land office at Fargo, D. T., Nov. 16th, 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 entry thereof, viz:

Asmund Pederson, D. S. No. 16341, for the s ½ sw ¼ of sec. 4, tp 148 n. r 59 w, and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Sigwart Tande, Ole Aslakson, Toilef R. Tobianson and Fingar Larson, all of Lee, P. O., Nelson county, D. T.

The testimony of claimant and witnesses to be taken before John N. Jorgensen, clerk of the the district court at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on Friday, the 31st day of December, A. D. 1186, at his office. MICHAEL F. BATTELLE,
J. O. Oie, Atty. 44-49 Register.

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Nov. 13th, 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: David H. Henman, D. S. No. 16031, for the s ½ of sec. 28, tp. 148 n. r. 61 w, and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Charles A. Wright, John S. Insland, Albert A. Palmer, Peter Schafer, all of Willow P. O., Griggs county, D. T.

The testimony of claimant and witnesses to be taken before George B. Clerk, Judge and ex-officio clerk of the probate court at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on Monday, the 31st day of January, A. D. 1887, at his office.

MICHAEL F. BATTELLE, Register.
Glass & MacLaren, Atty. 44-49

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—Land office at Fargo, D. T., November 16th, 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:

Jacob Oleson, H. E. No. 17050, for the e ½, sw ¼ and w ½ se ¼ of sec. 6, tp 144 n. r 58 w, and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Ole J. Stromme, John Foesberg, Gust Foesberg and Nels Ostlund, all of Cooperstown P. O., Griggs county, D. T.

The testimony of claimant and witnesses to be taken before Hon. W. H. Francis, judge of the sixth judicial district, territory of Dakota, or in absence before John N. Jorgensen, clerk of the district court at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on Friday, the 31st day of December, A. D. 1886, at his office. MICHAEL F. BATTELLE,
J. O. Oie, Atty. 44-49 Register.