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Official Paper of Griggs County

In the death of General John A. Logan, the country loses a patriot, and the republican party an intelligent and honorable partisan. He was a strong man of strong convictions, whose first impulse after victory was not to fall on his late enemies' neck and inquire for a strawberry mark by which to identify a long lost brother. There was no sentimentality about John A. Logan. He was a hard headed fighter for what he supposed to be the right side of the case and the republican party will miss him in the battle of 1888.

The leading editorial in the St. Paul Globe of the 21st inst., is upon Gettysburg. It is a magnificent description of the battle; but when we reach the last few lines, and learn that the purpose of the article is to boom a panorama, then showing in the city, we hesitate to tackle the balance of the editorials lest WARNER'S SAFE CURE be rung in on us.

In the Northwest this year 2,462 miles of railroad have been built. This is more than was built in 1882—the boom year. All of the great Western lines have an eye on the wheat belt, and the day when our boom shall return slowly but surely approaches.

Editor Smith, of Mayville, is secretary of a toboggan club.

Mrs. Reed, of Sioux City, Ia., has commenced suit against five prominent and wealthy saloon keepers for making a confirmed drunkard of her husband.

The common house rat first made its appearance in this country in 1775, and came from London on shipboard. He has not yet made his appearance in Dakota, but this generation will probably see him installed in its houses, as if to the manner born.

In the Campbell divorce case, which has agitated English society for some weeks, the jury found Lord Colm, and wife (Victoria Woodhull's daughter), innocent of adultery, but censured Gen. Butler for not appearing as a witness. If this Butler is anything like Ben Butler, he can stand censure from such a lot of idiots. The public, generally, think him the only honest man in the case.

The Pioneer Press settles the question as to what will become of Governor Pierce, by announcing that he will hereafter be the Dakota editor of that paper, with headquarters at Bismarck. This is not only a good thing for the Governor, but it is a good business move on the part of the Pioneer Press. The Globe, by a Dakota department, has for the last year crowded the Press in its circulation. The Press now raises the Globe out of its boots, and will capture the subscription jack pot.

Congressman William M. Hill, of Ohio, is said to be Judge Church's successor. William is not exactly a native born Dakotan, but he was about to settle in Dakota when the first intimation of his preferment came—it is said.

The Carrington News has reduced its size on account of the dull season. The business men of Carrington ought not to allow this, as the News is one of Carrington's best institutions. Two years ago there were two papers in Carrington to be supported, both double the present size of the News.

The Moorhead News, as usual, is to the front with a handsome holiday almanac, which is presented to each subscriber. The souvenir is full of information, handsome engravings, and better than all advertisements.

The Northwest for January is out, and although the edition is not a boomer of any locality, its literary excellence is as marked as ever. The twin cities will, some day, convert the periodical into a vehicle for general literature—the Overland Monthly of the Northwest.

The funeral of the late John A. Logan will take place Jan. 5. The place of interment has not yet been decided upon.

The burning of kerosine oil is said by the Scientific American to aggravate diphtheria; and it is a query whether or not it is not the cause, itself.

Next Week

Commissioners Hemmingson, Conant, and Mosely, qualify.

Treasurer Thompson, takes possession of his office.

Register Berg, prepares to file the chattle mortgages.

Judge Nelson, moves into the court house.

Justices W. R. Whidden, Paul J. Nelson and Alonza Ellis, prepare for the crime.

Constables Johnson, Groff, Wasser and Sheldon, will become peace officers; while the balance of re-elected officials, the coroner, sheriff, district attorney, superintendent of schools, assessor, and surveyor, qualify for another year of exhaustive labor.

The old board, then meets for the last time.

Among interesting events of the meeting, will be the decision of the new board on the license question.

The retiring officers have without exception, been faithful to their trusts, and will all settle down in our midst, and attend to their private businesses

\$37,500.00.

Improvements Made in Cooperstown in the Past Year Reach Over That Sum.

Cargill Bros., elevator.....	\$10,000 00
North Dakota El. Co., ware-house.....	1,200 00
Congregational Church.....	2,000 00
Norwegian M. E. Church.....	1,200 00
C. M. Lawrence, residence.....	3,000 00
R. M. Cowen, residence.....	2,000 00
John Ross, residence.....	700 00
John Regner, residence.....	700 00
Peter Morrison, residence.....	250 00
Maynard Crane, residence.....	1,500 00
C. W. Hodge, residence.....	700 00
I. Miller, residence.....	300 00
Mrs. Haugan, residence.....	500 00
O. D. Purinton, residence.....	1,200 00
T. P. Whidden, residence.....	1,500 00
Joel Jameson, residence.....	700 00
A. Haskel, residence.....	500 00
S. Sansborn, residence.....	250 00
W. C. Jameson, residence.....	200 00
M. Sutherland, stable.....	250 00
T. F. Kerr, stable.....	300 00
McDermott & Greenleese, stable.....	400 00
Clark & Smart, office.....	500 00
A. L. Bowden, office.....	300 00
Ford & Lucken, office.....	600 00
Lawrence Bros., store.....	5,000 00
V. C. Ward, store.....	250 00
E. Bradley, residence.....	250 00
B. B. Brown, add. to residence.....	150 00
Whidden Bros., store.....	1,500 00
Dr. Newell, store.....	250 00
Stevens & Enger.....	700 00
H. P. Hammer, add. to stable.....	500 00

Smithkin's Salve.

Mr. Smithkins, of Romness, is about to launch a new kind of salve on an unoffending world and desires the COURIER to mention the matter. We simply publish some testimonials:

CHIHUAHUA, Mexico, June 19, 1880.
Senora Isabella Gandeloupe testifies that in 1780, her poodle dog Fiedo was taken down with a violent attack of hydrophobia. His spasms were just awful. One application of Smithkins' Painless Salve to his nose drew out several pounds of hydrophobia, and completely cured him. We wouldn't think of keeping house without it. Use no other.

MONTREAL, Dec. 10th, 1886.
My daughter was troubled with red hair which prevented her from going to good society. One application of Smithkins' Painless Salve relieved her so that she has had an offer of marriage from a bank defalter. The poor child is tickled to death. Signed,
Hon. Percy de Shortbones.

SITKA, Alaska, June 21, 1888.
I had a white heifer with mange on her back. One application of the salve cured her, and produced a fine coat of seal skin on my wife's back. See that Smithkins is blown in the bottle. Beware of counterfeits.

Moses Esquimaux.
Dear Sir: Last summer my husband's mother dislocated her jaw, while conversing, leaving her so that she was unable to talk except in an annoying whisper. One application of your invaluable salve fixed her whisper so that my husband has gained two pounds of flesh.
Mrs. Wm. Jones.

A Hundred Farmers Sued.

GRAND FORKS, Dec. 25.—The Northwestern Mutual Insurance company, of Walperton, has begun proceedings against about 100 farmers of this vicinity, to enforce payment of notes, given to secure payment of hail policies. These notes were secured by chattle mortgage on the crops, but of course the crops have been harvested, in most cases the grain sold, and now the farmers are too poor to ante. In some cases, judgment has been rendered in favor of the plaintiff, the farmers not appearing, while in others, a continuance till the 25th inst. has been asked, and granted.

Ballou's Magazine

"We have received the January number of this well-known magazine. With this issue, it commences its sixty-fifth volume, and is a general favorite with all of its readers. The following are some of its features: Serial stories, by the best authors; a choice variety of complete stories, romances, sketches, adventures, biographies, anecdotes, poetry, and numerous other productions. What promises to be an interesting Serial, by Mrs. Jane G. Austin, commences in this number, entitled, "The Outcast, or the Master of Falcon's Eyrie." Now is the time to subscribe. Price \$1.50 per year, post paid. We see four subscriptions are sent for \$5.00. It is published by G. W. Studley, 23 Hawley street, Boston, Mass."

The Collins Railroad Bill.

The proposed bill is too long for publication, without crowding out other valuable matter, but the synopsis of the vital sections, given below, will be found of great interest.

Section 2, gives the commission power to inquire into the business of common carriers; to require attendance of witnesses, and production of books and papers, in which the court shall aid them, having power to punish disobedience as for contempt.

Section 3, every person has the right to apply to the commission, for redress of grievances by a statement in writing, a copy of which shall at once be served on the common carrier offending, requiring an answer within a time specified by the commission. If the common carrier does not respond or render satisfaction, the commission shall investigate after due notice.

Section 4, requires the commission to report and record its action fully, which shall be prima facie evidence in judicial proceedings.

Section 5, gives the commission power in case the charges of the violation of the law are sustained, to demand reparation from the common carrier, within a time specified; but if it refuses to comply with the decision, the facts shall be forthwith reported to the attorney general.

Section 6, makes it the duty of the attorney general, on such complaint, to bring suit in the name of the territory to the party injured, against the common carrier for the injury alleged and the court may give costs and damages, as well as enjoin and restrain the wrongful acts, and give general relief. General equity jurisdiction is vested in the court.

Section 16, provides punishment for common carriers, agents, officers etc., for obstructing the commissioners, not less than \$100, or more than \$5,000.

Section 19, makes it unlawful for a common carrier to give any preference to any person or place, and requires them to give every facility for interchange of traffic between different lines.

Section 20, prevents charging more for a short distance than for a long haul, with a provision allowing the common carriers to grade down, on application to the commission, which is given powers herein. A violation of this section is declared extortion.

Section 22, give the commission power to change such tariffs, rates or fares, if they are deemed unjust, or unreasonable, after due notice. If the common carrier does not comply in 30 days, the commission shall publish their rates, and post them at all stations. On refusal thereafter, application shall be made to the courts, by the attorney general, on complaint of the commission, to compel obedience to the law, by injunction or proceeding as for contempt.

Section 25, prevents a common carrier from qualifying its common law liability by a device.

Section 56, is a general penal clause declaring acts contrary to the commands of this law, to be misdemeanors punishable by fine, not less than \$1,000 for each offense. Where the common carrier is a corporation, its principal officer or tariff manager shall be liable.

California Wheat.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—The quantity of wheat in this state that will be available for export on Jan. 1, is shown as follows:

The estimate of crop is here placed at 34,000,000 bushels. Old crop on hand July 1, 2,600,000 bushels; present season's crop, 34,000,000; total, 36,600,000 bushels; deducted shipment to Europe and other countries, between July 1 and Dec. 15, 15,000,000 bushels; quantity that will be shipped between Dec. 5 and 30, 1,500,000; required for home consumption, seed and carry over, 11,000,000; balance available for shipment, 9,600,000 bushels. The contingent this year has taken 25 per cent of the European shipments, something unheard of before. Last year during the same period, it took 3,000 bushels.

That Dog.



The Courier dogs no more—around. The good the young. He has been to Sunday school, prayer meeting and church festivals regularly, and never missed a dance if there was a prospect for a free lunch. In fact he was great on free lunches. He was a very savage dog and would bark at a stranger with the greatest *song froith*; but should the aforesaid stranger kindly go into his pocket and produce a little mashed potato with butter gravy, he became the stranger's friend—until the potato gave out. Potatoes are \$1 per bushel, and the dog always appreciated uncalculating generosity. He was a high toned English pointer, and worked on all kinds of chickens—cooked chickens being a specialty with him. When he once pointed a live prairie chicken, that chicken never touched the ground nearer than the Goose river, for if it did it was certain to find the dog in the immediate vicinity. The tame chickens about town will remember him, for he always remembered the tame chicks. He had their locations all marked and visited them frequently. When he did court their society he uniformly caused a flutter. You could generally tell where he had been by the color of the feathers he brought home with him. He was the pet of all the boarders of the Zimmerman house. He won their affection by flattery. Imitation is the sincerest flattery, and let a boarder struggle with hot soup or a tough piece of beef, and the dog was sure to join in the struggle. His good nature being apparent, he generally escaped on such an occasion with the soup or the beef. He had been shot with buckshot several times while pointing tame chicks; but he never seemed to mind a little thing like that. *Requiescat in pace.* We say Requiescat because he was as remarkable for chasing cats as everything else. The cats will have a rest now.

After going to the trouble of writing the above obituary, the animal, after an absence of two days appeared with a mouthful of feathers. They look mightily like chewed up ostrich plumes, and if any lady in the vicinity is short a winter bonnet, and is suffering from the cold, she can have the feathers back again.

Taken Up.

One red steer, three or four years old, with left horn broken.
THOS. THORPSON,
Sec. 10-15-88. 48-51

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Notice.

To whom it may concern:
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THOS. DRAZ, Assignee.
St. Paul, May 10, 1886.

Notice.

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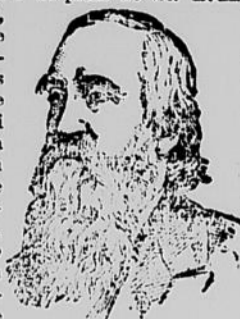
I have four valuable new milch cows, which I will sell together, or singly, cheap for cash, or on approved security. Address, N. C. RUCKE,
Lee, Nelson Co., Dak. 46-50.

Notice.

The partnership heretofore existing between A. L. Bowden, and C. C. Buck, has been dissolved by mutual consent. A. L. Bowden, assumes all liabilities of the late firm of Bowden & Buck, and will pay all out standing debts.
A. L. BOWDEN,
C. C. BUCK.
Dated, Cooperstown Dak., Nov. 27th, 1886.

The Late Ex-Governor Phelps of Missouri.

Ex-Governor John S. Phelps, who died recently in the Sister's hospital at St. Louis, was in his seventies, and had been one of the most important citizens of his adopted state. He came to Missouri from the east in 1831 and settled in Springfield, in the southwestern portion of the state, and was elected to the legislature in 1842 and to congress in 1849 and 1854. He served eighteen years in congress and for seven terms was chairman of the ways and means committee. He left congress in 1863 to enter the Union army as colonel of a Missouri regiment which was employed in the home guard service. In 1866 he was elected governor of Missouri as a Democrat and served four years. He was governor during the big strike of 1877.



Mr. George Francis Train informs us that he is to live and endure 200 years.

President Dwight, of Yale, says: "My answer to the question how I was educated ends where it began; I had the right mother."

THEO. F. KERR, M. D.

Physician and Surgeon.

Cooperstown, Dakota.

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