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AROUND TOWN.

Wheat 63 cents. Remember the church fair at the Baptist hall to-night.

Mr. Purinton says it's a cold country where coal oil will congeal.

Mr. Muir is now settled in his new house, and looks happy and contented.

Iver Jacobson, and Rev. Mr. Westberg and wife, came up on the delayed train Tuesday night.

Geo. Condy returned from Lee Sunday noon. He got a little taste of the blizzard Friday.

J. A. Lawrence returned Tuesday from the St. Paul ice palace, and reports on enjoyable time.

B. A. Clausen returned from St. Paul Tuesday night, where he had been to see the sights and take in the ice palace.

Mrs. T. C. White left Wednesday morning for Michigan, where she will join her husband and make her future home.

Knud Thompson's toothless mule gave up the ghost last Saturday—it was shot. Read Knud's "ad" in another column.

Daniel Van Dusen, of Hope, displayed excellent taste this week by affixing his autograph on the subscription list of the COURIER.

Chas. Allen, for several months past an attaché of the COURIER, left on Wednesday's train for his old home in Hoosierdom.

As has been previously announced, the COURIER, together with the Northwestern Farmer, will be sent to any address, for one year, upon receipt of two dollars.

"Billy" Andrews thinks it's fun first when the mercury registers at 50° and the engine stuck in a snow drift—dead, but kicks against going 36 hours without some nourishment for the inner man.

There was quite a number of young people attended the dance Friday night at the Palace hotel, the bad weather preventing several from attending. Supper was served by Landlord Pashley from 12 till 1.

J. E. Robison, representing the well-known firm of Forepaugh & Tarbox, a whole sale boot and shoe house, of St. Paul, came up on Thursday's train, and was held a prisoner, at the Palace hotel, by old King Boreas, until Tuesday.

There will be an installation of officers in the I. O. G. T. Lodge, of Cooperstown, next Monday night, for the ensuing quarter. This lodge (organized less than three months ago), has now a membership of nearly sixty, and is weekly increasing in strength.

The fuel dealers are happy—because of the rich harvest they are now reaping, regardless of the feelings of the unfortunate consumer—of his pocket, but the bad weather did not materially effect the price of coal—Mr. Blackwell would not take advantage of his customers.

Syverson & Co. have purchased the building occupied by them as a furniture store from Odegard & Thompson, and will rent and remodel the same. Mr. Syverson says the increasing demand for furniture, etc., has compelled them to add greatly to their already large stock of household goods.

Joe Jimson introduced the toe of his cowhide (No. 9) shoes to some of the youngsters who were trying to excel each other in making a big noise Tuesday evening, while the worthy P. M. and his assistant were distributing the mail of several days accumulation. Joe says some of the older "kids" had better look a "cattle out."

Charley Hunter and W. W. Shean, while hauling hay Friday, from their stack to the barn, were caught in the blizzard, and both sleighs, loads and drivers were capized into a huge snow drift. After digging their way out from under a ton and a half of hay and several feet of snow, the boys examined themselves to ascertain if any bones had been broken, mounted their steeds and rode into town, leaving the hay to look after itself until Monday, when they made a successful attempt to get the fodder into the barn.

Stormy weather! A. Haskell lost a fine lot of chickens in the recent storm.

There is a possibility that the branch will be closed. See circular elsewhere. Editor Vallindigham took a run to Valley City last week, returning on Tuesday's delayed train.

Albert Berg, of the firm of Berg & Larson, is back from St. Paul, where he had been attending the carnival.

Mr. James Glass has accepted the Langford school, and will enter upon his duties as teacher next Monday.

Mrs. Pasiley, the estimable landlady of the Palace, has been confined to her room during the past week with a slight illness.

There is some talk of a masquerade ball to be given in Cooperstown in the near future, under the auspices of the Anti-Mustache Society.

Conductor Leavitt has been furnished with a box of provisions in case his train gets stuck in a snow drift. The chances are that he will not need it.

Citizens would do well to lay in a good supply of fuel, and prepare for an emergency in case of another severe storm which might cause a blockade.

Percy R. Trubshaw, formerly of the Sanborn Enterprise, is now connected with the COURIER, entering upon his new line of duties Wednesday morning.

The last week's COURIER, which was put in the postoffice Friday afternoon, "schedule time," as there was no outgoing mail, remained in the office until Tuesday.

Lawrence Brce. were compelled to haul the effects of the late storm—a 15 foot snow bank—away from the front of their place of business, and dump it on the back streets.

Mr. Zimmerman and Dick Hall, A. Haskell and son Frank, were caught in the blizzard Friday, while after wood, and were compelled to face the furies of the storm from the river, home.

The Montana blizzard reported to have left Mandan at a toboggan slide gait for the ice palace at St. Paul, Tuesday evening, struck our burg Wednesday night. Mails were again delayed on the branch.

Nels Keahl lost a valuable horse Sunday night, by smothering in the stable. This should be a warning to owners of stock to keep their stables well ventilated, as the severe snow storms which we are subject to are apt to fill the crevices, etc., and prevent the stock from inhaling the pure air—hence, the suffocation.

We learn that on Saturday evening last while the section men from along the line had gathered at the depot at Sanborn, someone had the audacity to tap the till of several dollars. It was done while there was a crowd around. The boys were probably frozen out and wanted to go over town and "take a stin" to warm up the inner man.

A suggestion to the Lodge of Good Templars—Why not form a debating society within the lodge? Many want it; ability is there; few things are more entertaining and profitable. Who will initiate it? Here is a subject: Resolved, "That a man's success depends more upon his 'grit' than upon his brains; more upon his will power, than education."

On Feb. 14, Miss Christine Bauer, at present teaching the school in the J. A. Brown district, will open an evening school in the old Whidden building for the teaching of the German language. As Miss Bauer is well versed in this language, parents will do well by sending their children to her for instruction. Pupils of advanced age will also be taken.

The storm of last week, which began Friday afternoon and continued all day Saturday and part of Sunday, was pronounced by a number of the oldest citizens to be the worst of the season, and equal in severeness to any ever witnessed in Dakota. The train that was due here at 7:15 did not reach Cooperstown until about 9 o'clock Tuesday night, after the road had been cleared by a snow plow and a gang of men which came up Monday, going back Tuesday morning for the train proper. The cause of the delay was owing to the snow drifting in and filling up a deep cut, about two miles this side of Sanborn, through which the train was unable to tunnel, and was consequently stuck—dead—for about forty hours. The train men, after making several vain attempts to "pull through" were compelled to abandon their charge, and walk back to Sanborn, after having been thirty-five hours without food, leaving the passengers, Rev. and Mrs. Westburg in the coach, until they (the train men), could get into Sanborn and send out provisions, and a relief party came to their assistance with a snow plow, and hauled the "dead train" and the unfortunate passengers back to Sanborn, where they remained until the road had been cleared to this point.

The genial sheriff is limping around with a sore toe—a horse stepped on it.

Read the communication, "Yours Courageously," which appears elsewhere.

We have received but one mail since January 27. The train is expected up tonight.

More mail matter was distributed in the Cooperstown postoffice Tuesday night than at any one time in the history of the town.

The official vote as shown by the returns made to the secretary of the territory, places the population of Griggs county in 1885 at 2,093.

"Prettydamcold," remarked B. A. Clausen, Wednesday morning, when asked regarding his trip to the world-famed ice palace in St. Paul.

The editor expected to be home Saturday night, but owing to the poor outlook for trains being run on this branch, it is doubtful if he will Sunday in Cooperstown.

Notwithstanding the bad weather prevalent the past week, several farmers have braved the storm to come to town to do some trading and transact other business.

The Cooperstown orchestra discourses sweet music to the Slosson-Schaeffer aspirants of the Palace hotel, which breaks the monotony of these cold winter evenings.

We publish this week a circular furnished us by Agent Cowen, sent out by Supt. Graham, headed "Notice to Settlers," etc, which should be heeded by all interested.

Owing to the fact that we have had no train since Tuesday night we are unable to furnish our readers with the usual two page supplement.

The many friends of Prof. John W. Cowen, in this vicinity, will regret to learn of that gentleman's death at his home in Valley City, last Friday morning, of paralysis of the brain.

This evening the ladies of the Baptist Sewing circle will give an entertainment at the Baptist hall. A very interesting programme has been arranged, and those attending are promised a rare treat. Refreshments will be served during the evening.

The entertainment given by the children, at their fair in the Baptist hall last Friday evening was very fine, reflecting much credit, both upon the children and those assisting them in their preparation. Owing to the severity of the weather the attendance was small. There have been several requests made for a repetition. We are not informed whether they will be granted.

As one of the boys who was returning from the ice palace at St. Paul—boarded the Cooperstown express Tuesday, and waded through three feet of snow, which had accumulated in the passenger coach, and gazed at the icicles which glistened like diamonds all around him, he frigidly remarked, that it was unnecessary to go away to see an ice palace, as the car would very creditably answer the purpose.

Subjects of Mr. Frost's sermons next Sabbath are: In the morning—"Gospel meat and drink." In the evening—"Paul's Epistle to the Ephesians,"—illustrated by the use of the blackboard. Mr. Frost has been greatly encouraged during his labors in Cooperstown by the large attendance of the people upon the various church services. May he not rely upon having a large audience each Sabbath? All are cordially invited to participate in these services.

Notice to Settlers and Others.

NORTHERN PACIFIC R. R. Office of DIV. SUPERINTENDENT. JAMESTOWN, Dak. 31 t. 1887.

It will be impossible to operate the Sanborn, Cooperstown & Turtle Mountain railroad after another severe blizzard or two. It is therefore liable to be closed at any time on very short notice.

All interested are requested to buy the necessary fuel and supplies to last until spring as soon as possible.

J. M. GRAHAM, Supt.

To the People.

The readers of the COURIER will remember that there appeared in last week's issue a copy of a petition for protection for women and girls. When our honorable representative was home ten days ago I put a copy of the petition into his hands signed by a few of our citizens, and have received from him the following communication:

"The petition you handed me was presented to the committee on judiciary. They have given their legal consent of girls was raised to fourteen years. The bill will be read the house." Supt. attention on the part of the committee to the wishes of his constituents deserves recognition and remembrance. A CITIZEN.

Communication.

MR. EDITOR:—Won't you be kind enough to furnish the people of Cooperstown with a good receipt for the "blues"? The recent blizzard seems to have blown the last thread of their courage to atoms. Here are some of the ejaculations that I have heard during the last two days: "God never meant Dakota to be inhabited by ought but Indians and wild buffaloes!" "A man who would voluntarily live in Cooperstown would steal sheep!" "I've lived in Dakota six years and this beats all the winters I have ever seen, I'm heartily sick of Dakota and would flee the country today if I could!" Now, sir, remarks like these are anything but inspiring. It is said, you know, that the healthiest person can be made to believe himself sick by being repeatedly told by others that he looks sick. Nothing so quickly takes the starch out of a man's courage as contact with half a dozen "blue" men. Nothing will so quickly kill the prosperity of a community as a general spirit of fault finding. Now, there is no denying that this is a severe winter, that money is "tight," but does a man's happiness hinge primarily or exclusively upon fair weather and silver dollars? Here's a robust looking man whose stomach is full of virulent complaint of hard times and blizzardy winter. Let us ask him a few questions: "Sir, you seem to be one bundle of murmurings, permit me to ask if you are sick?" "No! I never was better in my life." "Are any of your family suffering?" "No. Sir, my family have been unusually well this winter, two dollars would pay my physician's bill for the last five years." "Well, sir, perhaps you are out of fuel or provisions?" "Feel perfectly easy on that score sir, for there is no danger of my starving, I never heard of a person starving in Dakota, did you?"

Now a man or woman with a reservoir of health, with plenty to eat, drink and wear, and a good supply of fuel, for such an one to whine, like a sick cur, at a blizzard or two, is not only to act unmanly or unwomanly, but positively to sin. Away, then, with this bilious complaint! It is said that in drinking lemonade one detect only the sweet or only the sour. Sweet and sour went thro' all life, and if we hope ever to accomplish anything for God, or for our fellow men we must learn to detect the sweet as well as the sour, remembering what Shakespeare says that:

"It is not in our stars, But in ourselves, that we are underlings." If a man would rise, he must do so like the kite—against the wind. The greatest need of Cooperstown is not warm weather, or more money, but more genuine bulldog grit.

Yours COURAGEOUSLY.

Bobby Sent Up.

CHICAGO, Jan. 31.—Judge Blodgett, in the United States district court, this morning overruled the motion for a new trial for "Bobby" Adams for the Minneapolis postoffice robbery; then Adams was brought into court by the bailiff and was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary at Joliet and fined \$100 and a fourth part of the costs.

A Plot Discovered.

CHICAGO, Jan. 31.—Police Captain Schack in an interview today admitted that he had been for over a fortnight investigating what appeared to be an anarchist plot to save Spies and his fellow conspirators from death on the gallows. Within a month there has been a marked revival of interest in the anarchist meetings in the city, and the efforts of the police to keep track of the proceedings has doubled. As a result, Capt. Schack came into possession of a drawing which was recognized as the basement plan of the jail and criminal court building. It was accurate in every particular, even the sewers and waste-pipes were located. Basement plans of the buildings on Clark street, extending to the jail alley, were also shown. From certain of these buildings lines were drawn, which met the centre of the jail yard. Investigation showed the basement as indicated were those for rent, or of which the lessee could be purchased. Capt. Schack's inquiry as to the lines in the centre of the jail yard represented possible or projected tunnels. Negotiations had been entered into for the lease of one basement by prospective shoe dealers, who stipulated for the division of the basement by close partition, separating the front from the back. Boxes were to be delivered and taken from the rear entrance. A close watch has been kept but without result, and hopes of capturing the conspirators have been abandoned. Capt. Schack believes the design was to clear the gallows by blowing up the condemned anarchists and with them the officers delegated to conduct the execution. If the tunnels were designed to enable the anarchists to escape, the lines would not reach to the jail yard but rather to the jail itself.

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE PHILADELPHIA FIRE ASSOCIATION

Table with financial data for the Philadelphia Fire Association, including assets, liabilities, and income for the year 1886.

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA, County of Philadelphia, ss. Lightfoot President and W. B. Winship Secretary of the Fire Association of Philadelphia, a corporation organized under the laws of Pennsylvania, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct statement of the affairs of said company...

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