

KEEP IT BEFORE THE PEOPLE.

From the official bulletin of the commissioner of immigration for the Territory of Dakota for January, 1887, we call the following "Facts about Dakota."
 The increase in population during the year ending Dec. 31st, 1886, was 115,000. The vote for delegate in Congress on Nov. 2d, 1886, was 104,831.
 Dakota appropriated \$650,000 for the support of educational institutions during the year 1887.
 Dakota had, on Dec. 31st, 1886, 3,491 miles of railroad.
 The assessed valuation of real and personal property in the territory for 1886, was \$182,062,905, an amount greater than that of Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Colorado, Delaware, Mississippi, Nebraska, Nevada, Oregon, or Vermont, greater than all the other territories combined, and as much as South Carolina or West Virginia.

Dakota has 325 newspapers, 25 of which are daily and eight are published in foreign languages. This number is more than in any one of 32 states and territories; more than in two states and eight territories, more than in five states; as many as in Minnesota, and as many as in Vermont, Delaware, South Carolina, Oregon and Nevada combined.
 The mean daily range of temperature at Fargo, was, for April, 1886, 23.5 degrees; for July 1886, 24.8 degrees; for October 1886 2.3 degrees, and for December 1886 19.2 degrees. The mean temperature of the same months was, April 45.6; July 69.5; October 48.4; December 0.3. The number of inches of rain during the same months was, April 5.5; July 5.4; October 2.2 December .58. The number of clear and fair days was, April 22; July 30; October 10; December 21.

Dakota has more horses than Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Jersey, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas, West Virginia, Oregon, Nevada, or than any other territory, and as many as North Carolina, South Carolina, Rhode Island and Arizona together.

Dakota has more milch cows than Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, South Carolina, Florida, Louisiana, West Virginia, Oregon or Nevada, or than any other territory. In oxen and other cattle, she has more than each of 27 states.
 In sheep, she has more than any one of twelve states; in hogs, more than any one of fourteen states.
 The total county indebtedness of Dakota is but a little over \$2,000,000.
 The lowest price for county bonds is 90 cents, the highest \$1.07; the average has been \$1.04.
 The total bonded debt of the territory is \$568,000; the bonds bear 6 per cent interest, and sold at \$1.03.

Dakota has 3,095 public schools, more than either Alabama, Colorado, Delaware, Louisiana, Nevada, Oregon, California, Connecticut, Florida, Maryland, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont or any territory. Eight per cent of the total enumeration attended school during the year 1885, which is one-half as many as Massachusetts, five-sixths as many as Minnesota, twice as many as Arkansas, Connecticut, Maryland, New Hampshire, New Jersey, or South Carolina four times as many as Louisiana, Oregon, or Rhode Island, five times as many as Colorado, six times as Florida, ten times as many as Delaware twenty times as many as Nevada, and 1,000 more than Vermont, or all the territories together, Indian Territory and the District of Columbia. The receipts for school expenditure during the year, ending June 30, 1886, were \$2,349,265.

Dakota has 252 banks of deposit; more than any southern state; or California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, New Hampshire, Maine, Nevada, New Jersey, Rhode Island, Vermont, or Wisconsin, than Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, North, and South Carolina, Tennessee and Nevada combined.
 Dakota raised in 1886, 30,700,000 bushels of wheat, 20,650,000 bushels of oats, 15,800,000 bushels of corn, and 2,500,000 bushels of flax seed. In wheat she stands sixth on the list, raising more than Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, Ohio, Kansas, Nebraska or Mississippi, or than 30 other states and territories.
 Dakota has 1,021 post offices, more than Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina or Vermont.
 She has seven post offices of the second class, more than Georgia and Tennessee combined, more than Virginia, as many as Minnesota, and only exceeded by thirteen at the states.
 She has more presidential post offices than any one of twenty states.
 These figures, remember, do not include "star-rouls," but include only the regular service.— Ex.

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RELIGIOUS AND EDUCATIONAL.

—Russia, with a population of about 100,000,000, has 85 Bishops, 100,000 clergymen, 27,000 monks and nuns, and 41,000 churches.
 —Prof. Dwight told the graduates of the Columbia Law School that lawyers were divided into four classes—the jurist, the advocate, the tolling lawyer and the shyster.—N. Y. Tribune.
 —The Sabbath-schools of Morris County, N. J., have erected a monument to the memory of Congressman John Hill, a famous Sunday-school man, well known throughout New Jersey as "Honest John Hill."
 —Clark University, at Atlanta, under the auspices of the Freedmen's Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, is in a flourishing condition, and now has a complete industrial department, including carpentry, carriage-making, printing and housekeeping.—Christian Union.
 —A young minister of Oglethorpe County, Ga., in order to raise funds for his Sunday-school, requests the scholars in his school to bring an egg every Sunday, for which he pays them, and by re-selling the eggs secures the needed money to pay the expenses of the school.—St. Paul Globe.

—The Pall Mall Gazette having stated that Mr. Ruskin resigned his fine-art professorship at Oxford on account of his years, he informs that journal that he severed his relations with the university solely on account of the vote of the convocation sanctioning vivisection in the physiological laboratory.

—An eminent and aged divine accosted a young preacher as follows: "My dear friend, I have long noticed that clergymen deal much in compliments with privately addressing the parishioners. Don't do so; it lowers their estimation of you, and is bad for them. Adults may like molasses, but they prefer to feed themselves."—A. T. Times.

—Miss Kate Gleason, of Rochester, N. Y., is studying practical mechanics in Cornell University, and is the only lady student in that department. She has already had one year's experience in the office of her father's extensive machine shops, and is now preparing to become a thorough draughtsman and scientific machinist, with the intention of taking charge of the designing and draughting department of her father's business.—Rochester Express.

—The Boston Advertiser compares the school register of 1881 with that of 1840, and shows that of 345 towns in Massachusetts, 143 are losing in population; and it gives a list of twenty-four school districts in the central part of the State whose school population has fallen off one-third to one-half. A correspondent of the Advertiser writes that they have just closed the school-house of his boyhood, because there were only six pupils, and two of these were from outside the district, where in his childhood was a school of fifty or sixty children.

WIT AND WISDOM.
 —Prosperity and prudence are spelled differently, but they mean the same thing.
 —Every man has his follies, and oft-times they are the most interesting things he has got.—Josh. Billings.
 —When you hear a man say "I will risk my honor that this is true," you can generally make up your mind that his honor is not paying a very heavy dividend.—Boston Post.
 —"Is land high in Vermont?" asked a speculator of a Green Mountain farmer. "You just bet it is!" was the reply. "If the trees wasn't so stunted the clouds couldn't get by at all."—Troy Times.
 —We cough when something wrong gets into the throat. What a tumult there would be if some men had to cough every time something wrong came out of their throats.—Baltimore American.

HOTEL, J. D. T.

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poned. As a good programme has been arranged, it is hoped that there will be a good attendance.
 Percy Trubshaw, who has been a compositor on the COURIER for two months, has gone to Sykes to start the Settler. Percy is bright and industrious, and a good all round printer. Having a good field for work he will undoubtedly do well. It is a wonder that Wells county has been so long without a paper.
 Mr. and Mrs. Hyde, father and mother of W. S. Hyde, arrived Saturday night from Wisconsin, and will reside with their son and his estimable wife on the farm. Mrs. W. S. Hyde will continue with her music class during the summer, giving in twice a week for the purpose of giving pupils instructions.
 Walter H. Cobban, of Fargo, representing the Dakota Fire and Marine Insurance Co., of Mitchell, was in town Friday. He has left the agency of the company with Clark & Smart. Cobban will be remembered as speaker of the third house at Hammarck when the Hon. Denny Hannafin was elected squatter governor, and Uncle John Russell lieutenant governor.
 The Ladies' Aid society of the Congregational church, will meet at the residence of Mrs. Dr. Kerr, on Saturday afternoon. This society has accomplished a good work during the past winter, and the same comprising the same are deserving of much credit for their energetic labors, and should have the aid of all interested in the moral advancement of the community.

March 1st to April 1st, and washing.....	48 65
M. L. Michaels, one month's jailors salary.....	26 00
W. S. Hyde, one month's janitor' salary and repairs.....	25 55
Iver Jacobson, 1st quarter salary dist. atty.....	125 00
Iver Jacobson, two days service on board of insanity, S. K. Skagen.....	4 00
Iver Jacobson, cash paid territorial secretary for certified copy of court bill.....	1 25
Theo. F. Kerr, 1st quarter salary as supt of schools.....	67 50
Theo. F. Kerr, examination and mileage in S. Skagen's case, insane.....	9 80
Rolf Berg, 1st quarter salary as Co. clerk.....	125 00
Rolf Berg, cash paid for blanks, postage and express.....	21 25
Claus Jackson, witness fees in S. Skagen's case, two days.....	4 00
S. K. Norgard, witness fees S. Skagen's case, two days.....	4 00
M. L. Michaels, witness fees S. Skagen's case one day.....	2 00
Peter E. Nelson, two days service on board of insanity.....	6 00
George D. Barnard, books, blanks, and stationery.....	32 25
George D. Barnard, books, blanks and stationery, \$69.60, allowed at.....	65 70
George D. Barnard, books, blanks and stationery.....	44 25
George D. Barnard, journal and note files for treasurer.....	15 05
S. B. Merryman, road work.....	1 50
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John Anderson, road work.....	1 50
John J. Hagen, road work.....	3 75
Allata Kellum, road work.....	3 25
J. H. Kellum, road work.....	2 48
Andrew Fortney, road work.....	1 50
J. H. Montgomery, road work.....	4 50

Bill of W. S. Hyde as above, was allowed in three orders to suit him.
 On motion ordered that a refunding order for \$1.50 be issued to Erick Amundson for road paid by him for 1886, he being evage age.
 On motion adjourned to April 8th. 10 a. m.
 R. C. Coopers, Chairman.
 Rollay Buss, Clerk.

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