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R. R. Guide.

The Cooperstown train leaves for Sanborn at 8:30 a. m.; arrives 11:10 a. m., connecting with the Jamestown Accommodation, west. Train leaves Sanborn for Cooperstown 4:30 p. m. Pacific Express leaves Sanborn for Bismarck 7:02 a. m. Express trains leave Sanborn for Fargo 10:10 p. m. and 4:35 p. m. Fargo Accommodation leaves Sanborn 8:30 a. m.

AROUND TOWN.

Wheat 70 cents.
J. W. Fiero is still busy—assessing.
W. L. Pattison has again enlarged his hotel.
N. L. Sifton left for Butte City, Montana, Monday.
Miss Mary Bauer visited her sister's school near Dasey, this week.
W. T. McCulloch, of Jessie came in on business, Wednesday.
O. H. Hewitt, the Jamestown attorney, was in town Monday night.
Our merchants report business unusually brisk, during the past week.

Maynard Crane disposed of six wagon loads of lumber Monday forenoon.

It is reported that B. A. Clausen has left Butte City, and will locate in Washington territory.

Hank Betslaff has had carpenters at work the past week improving the appearance of his hotel.

Station Agent Cowen informs us that there will be greatly reduced rates on the N. P. after the 1st of June.

Jo. Buchheit was in town Wednesday, after carpenters. Jo. says his house is being pushed rapidly forward.

Contractor Muir was doing carpenter work in Dasey the latter part of last, and the first of the present week.

H. G. Pickett was slinging lightning, Wednesday, while Station Agent and Mrs. Cowen attended the wedding.

The rains of the past few days make this section of country look exceedingly bright and cheerful. Wheat is looking very fine.

M. M. Robinson brought in some ice cream, Wednesday, which was sampled by the whole force, and pronounced excellent.

L. E. Burleigh, New York; F. H. Brales, Minneapolis; J. Crews, Fargo; J. H. Skeets, Lakota, were among the arrivals at the Palace, during the week.

Mark Sutherland was in town Monday, on business, having finished seeding 350 acres. Mr. S. reports crops looking unusually well and flourishing after the late rain.

Al. Wanderlich was confined to his room this week, Dr. Kerr having successfully operated on his eyes. Al. is so as to be out again, now, and at his post in the lumber yard.

Mr. Bowden received a card from Geo. Ellis, Tuesday, announcing his safe arrival at Helena, Mont. George speaks well of the place, as far as he has seen, but reports a fall of two inches of snow there last week. Let's here from Jimmie.

Last Friday morning lightning struck the chimney on the Dasey school house, tore off clap boards, and ripped up the floor. Had not the teacher, thoughtfully, dismissed the school as the storm approached, the result might have been more serious.

The ladies of the Congregational church have made arrangements for a grand "donkey social," to be given this (Friday) evening, at the residence of Dr. Kerr. Ice cream, cake, lemonade, etc., will be served. Croquet games and other amusements everybody invited.

The carpenters are fast pushing to completion the addition to cater Ward's restaurant. Mr. Ward has had a well dug under the addition, and says when everything is completed, he will be able to serve "meals at all hours" in the most approved style—with ice cream on the side.

The Independent is awful sorry for Dr. Newell, and the poor county that has to stand costs, etc., and is sorry for "Jimmy" Glass, who was sorry for Nate and wanted to see everybody "pulled," or, perhaps, by using his influence with Nate, he would not have had to be so sorry. His cup of sorrow seems running over. We are sorry he is obliged to publish such a sorrowful mess of rot.

W. R. Whidden: I have always voted against license and shall always vote the same way. In my old home in Nova Scotia, one year we would have license; the next year we would not. There was more trouble, crimes, etc., with license than without. As for prosecutions I do not believe much in them; I am peaceably disposed. This town will go for license; some sections of the county will poll a heavy vote against license.

Insurance has conquered hail; drilling in the wheat protects us from drouth and wind; we are out of the "hepper" region; and the Hewelian fly have never appeared in Dakota. Now if the farmers can buy a good binder complete for \$130, a threshing machine in proportion, we shall prosper. The profit on farm machinery is simply enormous, and the farmers must look out or they will soon be owned by non resident manufacturers. Some years ago McCormack, the inventor testified in a patent infringement suit, that it cost less than \$40 to put a harvester and binder in the field. At that time the machines were selling for \$300.

A. Rostrom is building a residence near the new Baptist church.

H. G. Tiffany was in town Thursday and reports crops looking fine, west of herd.

To Mr. and Mrs. Geo. L. Lenham—last night—twin girls—8 1/2 and 8 1/4 pounds.

Mr. John Fiero is around hearing the people its about their wealth, these days.

B. R. Brown lost a valuable ox by a thunderbolt, last Friday night. Ben is having hard luck.

We publish only eight pages this week. Next week the COURIER will be permanently enlarged.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Burrell, died at Sanborn, Tuesday night, after a brief illness.

We have just printed some chattel mortgage abstracts. After filling orders we have a few left for sale.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Smart have given up their rooms at the Palace, and moved out on the farm for the summer.

C. T. Whidden will act as assistant secretary of the Griggs county Mutual, while Secretary Johnson canvasses the county.

Ed. Bradley's wife wants to know where he is—also wants him to send her eighty or ninety dollars to bring her back to America.

Messrs. Stimpington & Miller, the chain lightning insurance men, are stacking up business for the Plankinton Mutual—if the hail strikes.

Miss Lulu Lenham, of Sanborn, has been visiting the VanVoorhis during the past week. Miss Lenham was bridesmaid at the late wedding.

The editor of the Griggs County, with commendable enterprise, now issues a twelve-page quarto with a two-page supplement—a fine paper for a town like Cooperstown—Times Record.

Judge Francis has ordered the drawing of jurors, and court will open at 10 a. m., June 14th. The whisky cases, and that of Miller and Lahr for horse stealing, are the principal criminal cases.

The absence of Rev. Geo. B. Frost during the summer months, on account of his health, will be regretted by a large circle of friends, who admire the gentleman for his fearless, earnest, and able labors.

The Decoration Day picnic will be held at Quale's camp meeting grove. All who can carry extra with their teams, and all who want to be carried please report to A. N. Adams before Saturday night. Everyone earnestly invited to attend.

Hon. D. W. Sprague was to organize a farmers' alliance at Cooperstown, Thursday. Mr. Sprague is a practical farmer, a thorough organizer, and the alliance would start under favorable auspices. Mr. Sprague was thoroughly identified in the work of the people at Bismarck last winter.

Walter F. Cushing and Chas. Shilling, of Valley City, passed through Cooperstown, Thursday, on their way to Minot to seek their fortunes. We would sooner trust to the chances of getting rich by shooting gophers at three cents a piece in Griggs county than in running a bank on the Manitoba extension.

Rev. Geo. B. Frost's request for a three month's leave of absence has been granted by the members of the church. Mr. Frost's energetic labors since coming to Cooperstown, have somewhat broken down his health, and he is now obliged to seek a much needed rest and will go east for the summer. Mrs. Frost, who has provided herself an able substitute, will take her husband's place in the pulpit during his absence.

A movement is on foot to have a grand ball July 4th. We have a large dancing population and a little harmless recreation in the Terpsichorean line, with a horse race and a game of ball in the afternoon, will render the occasion pleasant. There is some talk of a game of ball here on the fourth, with a purse of a hundred dollars. A tooting tournament between the Valley City and Dasey brass bands might be interesting.

Capt. Stimpington and Lieut. Miller have written to Col. Tyner to see what provisions can be made for arms for a new military company to be formed here. With a multitude of old soldiers, and others of the population on the war path, such an enterprise ought to be a success. A sham battle for the glorious Fourth would be a good thing. It is doubtful, however, if the project matures. Neither sham or champaign battles flourish up here. There was, however, a genuine fracas a year ago.

The following report of school No. 1, Dist. 12, Helena township, for the month commencing April 18th, and ending May 18th, 1887, was sent in by Miss Jennie E. Sheeley, teacher:

Number of pupils enrolled.....14
Number of boys enrolled.....9
Number of girls enrolled.....5
Number of days taught.....20
Average daily attendance.....10
Number of visitors.....1
Pupils perfect in deportment were: Setsy Swenson, Susie Peterson, Hans Hanson, Iver Anderson, Etta Swenson and Chris Hanson.

A pleasant party gathered at the residence of Mr. J. H. Van Voorhis, Wednesday morning, to witness the marriage of Mr. A. Beecher Cox, of Sanborn, to Miss Grace, the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Van Voorhis—one of Griggs county's loveliest and most accomplished young ladies. Rev. Geo. B. Frost performed the ceremony in his usual impressive but happy manner, after which the family, bride, groom, and assembled guests partook of a bountiful wedding breakfast. The young couple have been well known and very popular in Cooperstown, and, while wishing them any amount of happiness, their departure from the county will be heartily regretted. They will reside in Sanborn. A half dozen, only, of the intimate friends of the bride and groom were in attendance.

No, the statement that our alleged contemporary's alleged extra edition, calling for a 17th of May celebration was bogus, was written during the absence of the editor, by request of the Norwegian gentlemen imposed upon. The COURIER was Norwegian enough to set that matter right, but not enough to get up a celebration for the Norwegians in spite of themselves. Evidently our alleged contemporary does not understand that it was the independence of Norway that was celebrated, and not dependence upon a one horse printing outfit. The COURIER is glad that there were TWENTY-FIVE couples present, and that Jo. had such a recherche time, and got the two dollar job. The COURIER had an idea that there were not quite twenty-five couples present.

Dasey wants a barber.

Kager has purchased a hundred gopher tails, to be cashed.

James Glass is working in a planing mill at Helena, Montana.

Frank Cowen is going to Wisconsin, for a month's vacation.

Wheat 70 cents in Cooperstown to day, and in Sanborn 68 cents.

J. O. Ole and Iver Udegard left Thursday, for Lakota, on business.

C. M. Hertig, of Valley City, was in town on legal business, last week.

Sver Seramgard, who is distinguishing himself at the college in Minneapolis, is at home for the summer.

Harry Pickett and Maynard Crane attended the funeral of the child of Mr. and Mrs. Burrell, at Sanborn, Thursday.

The only and original Claus Jackson was in town last week, renewed his subscription to the COURIER and told the boys how to grow wheat.

Only 230 gopher tails were brought in last Saturday. They are getting wary. After jumping a man's claim they do not propose to let him even up at the expense of their tails.

The wheat competition has become so lively that ad. Warner is practicing on a bicycle with which to catch the gentle grainger as he approaches the city. He was looking for grangers in the air, Thursday. The thing threw him five times in four minutes.

The COURIER gives the following "pleasant mention" from the Berg & Jacobson blind pig advocate the benefit of its circulation.

Editor Adams and Attorney MacLaren will deliver addresses at the temperance picnic, Monday. Both gentlemen are capable—from experience—of making temperance speeches. It is the argument from the lips of those who have wrestled with the enemy, which count. The custom has been in the past for ministers or professed temperance people to address such gatherings. We are glad to note this diversion on the part of our Good Templers.

A party awhile ago claimed he could advertise in the Independent for a quarter of the price charged by the COURIER, yet—he left his "ad." The COURIER has a circulation that has been increasing for four years. However, if our young contemporary has only a circulation (paid) of seventy-five copies it is not to blame for it. The COURIER only advertises responsible companies who can pay their bills, so that an advertisement in its columns is a pretty fair guarantee that the firm advertising is reliable.

The following is the programme for the Memorial services in the Congregational church, Sunday, May 30th, 1887:

- 1.....Music, "Organ Voluntary".....
2.....Music, National Anthem.....
3.....Invocation.....
4.....Music, "The Fallen Brave".....Choir
5.....Reading of Scriptures.....
6.....Prayer.....
7.....Music, "Sleep, O Sleep".....Choir
8.....Music, "Rest in the Shade of the Trees".....Choir
9.....Sermon, By Rev. Geo. B. Frost.....
10.....Music, "Glorious Chief".....
(Inscribed to the Memory of Gen. John A. Logan).....Choir
Benediction.

ALLIANCE NOTES.

The meeting called by Hon. D. W. Sprague, acting under authority of the Territorial Alliance for Thursday, was attended by about thirty of our best farmers. It was explained that an organization had already been effected, of which S. B. Langford is president and W. H. Carlton, secretary. Mr. Sprague addressed the farmers assembled, and urged them to mutual and energetic action as to disposition of crops, the purchase of farm machinery, and the establishment of warehouses, etc. A meeting is called for all members of the old Farmer's Alliance, and all those who wish to become members, for June 4th, 1887, at 2 o'clock p. m., at the court house in Cooperstown. It will be a meeting of interest to the farmers. This meeting is authorized by a large number of farmers, and sanctioned by the old Alliance. Mr. Sprague will address the meeting, if possible.

An Alliance meeting at Aneta called by Mr. Sprague, of the Territorial Alliance, was well attended and a good organization effected.

Three Alliances are already organized in Steele county, and the fourth will be organized at Hope Saturday.

The Alliance will soon be a power in the territory.

June Term of Court!

Table with columns for STEELE COUNTY and GRIGGS COUNTY, listing names of Grand Jurors and Petit Jurors.

STRAYED—Small bay gelding. Return to E. W. Blackwell with damages. E. W. BLACKWELL.

NOTICE TO STOCK OWNERS—All stock of every name and nature, found trespassing upon my fields or meadows, on and after this date, will be taken up and held for damages. Dated May 21st, 1887. E. C. COOPER.

Lost. One sorrel gelding pony from Sec. 20-147-56—ten year old. The finder will be suitably rewarded. HENRY O. HAUGEN.

For Sale. A complete set of second hand farm machinery on terms to suit the purchaser. Also one new milch cow and heifer calf. W. H. GLASS.

SAMPLE ROOMS.

LIVERY STABLE ADJACENT.

PALACE HOTEL COOPERSTOWN, D. T.

This house is one of the most commodious between the Red and James River Valleys, and it will be the aim of the manager to make it a pleasant home for residents, and a convenient hostelry for the traveling public. The patronage of the public is solicited that the house may be kept up to a first class standard.

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CARLOS.

No 2.486: Stud Book Society Hippique Percherone Grey. Foaled 1882, Imported 1885. Sired by Sandy (1079) 1930; he by Nogent (729) 738, he by Vidocq (732) 483; he by Coco II (714). His dam Favorite by Bayard (717) 26.

CARLOS stands 16.3-1-2 hands, and weighs 1720 lbs.; has very fine style and remarkable action. His bone is large, flat and clean, and his feet fast-class in size, shape and quality of horn. In disposition he is gentle, and being well broken is easily handled by anyone. Has been tried and is a good server.

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