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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 7:08 a. m. Express trains leave Sanborn for Fargo 10:10 p. m. and 4:25 p. m. Fargo Accommodation leaves Sanborn 8:30 a. m.

AROUND TOWN.

Wheat 56 cents.

Messrs. Berlin, Lindsay, Pinkerton, Dickey, Beardsley, Scougale and others favor us with their subscription.

Treasurer Serungard, of Devils Lake, Lake visited us on the Fourth.

Willis and Scott Wylie with their wives celebrated at Cooperstown.

The father and mother of H. B. Simington are expected to make the captain a visit, soon.

Among the Valley City people present on the Fourth were A. C. Kasberg and Thomas Scattebo and wife. Mr. Kasberg is a fine musician and a good business man. Tom is well and favorably known in Cooperstown. We hope all the boys had a good time.

Billy Simons, the young Englishman, who has been clerking at the Palace has been replaced by John Fairbanks. Billy got to throwing language at the girls, and Mr. Pashley desiring him to promise to be more cautious in future, he pre-emptorily refused. "Hits the holy way to make 'em stand haround. You goes to talkin' perlitte to them they imposes on you. What they wants his strong language."

A fine thunder storm with plenty of rain Sunday, insures us a good crop. Hans Olsen Lien, west of Helena, reports a hail storm, the same day, at his place which damaged his crop about 30 per cent.

The Hannaford base ball boys did up the Cooperstown nine Saturday, by a score of 33 to 7.

The hop at the schoolhouse Saturday evening, was the nicest affair of the season. The Cooperstown orchestra, always public spirited, donated the music, while the receipts were used to make up the deficit from the celebration. Among the dancers were Messrs. Syverson, Brophy, Crane, Ole, and their wives, Misses Haskell, Rukke, Brown, Olsen, White, Campbell, Muir, Hampton, Ashholt; Messrs. Simington, Blackwell, Miller, Trulshaw, Warner, Haskell, Michael, Robinson, besides many others whose names we have failed to obtain.

The authorized edition of the Dakota Session Laws of 1887 was printed by the Bismarck Tribune, and the books are now being delivered. The book is the largest of the kind ever printed in Dakota, and besides the laws, contains the organic act and all subsequent acts of congress affecting Dakota. The laws of last session make many important amendments to the code. The retail price of the laws is \$3 for half binding and \$3.25 for full calf.

Cooperstown is to have a brass band. The boys will organize this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Joel James are spending the week on the farm at Willow.

The time allowed by the commissioners for the gopher tail bounty expires on Saturday.

Special offer until Sept. 15th. The Weekly PIONEER PAPERS, To new subscribers. Three Months for 25 cts. The departments of the Weekly Pioneer Press are: "The News," "The Farmer," "The Home," "The Young Folks," "Puzzles," "Notes and Queries" and "Temperance," all ably sustained by the best editorial talent. Besides these, every number contains choice new, short and serial stories, editorials, correspondence and miscellany. Try it for three months. Subscribe of your New Agent or your Postmaster, or of the Pioneer Press Co., St. Paul, Minn.

Among the most important cases before Judge Francis at Valley City this term was the case of O. J. Moe vs. N. P. R. R. company to recover damages for the death of a son who was killed by his horses running away while he was crossing the track at Sanborn. The Judge decided that there was no evidence that the crossing was a public highway, and directed the jury to bring in a verdict for the defendant. Much criticism has been indulged in at the expense of the court in this case, as the crossing was upon one of the first county roads established in Barnes county. The evidence in the case, however, might probably have justified the jury in declaring for the defendant. The crossing was open far enough to permit the passage of the team, and, in crossing, the lumber, with which the wagon was loaded, slid forward, striking the horses. The Northern Pacific attorneys appeared for the company and Mr. Van Wormer for the plaintiff.

Another case involving the greatest amount of money was that of the Imperial Bank of Canada vs. Henry Miller and Donald McKee. C. A. Van Wormer and C. E. Pierson were the attorneys of record for the bank while Mr. Esaulinger, Queen's Counsel, a member of the Canadian parliament and G. K. Andrus also appeared for the plaintiff. F. H. Adams appeared for the defense. The action was brought on a judgment for \$8,000 rendered by a Canadian court against the defendants. The defense moved to dismiss the action as the Canadian judgment was without force in the United States for the reason that service of process had been made upon the defendant Miller while in Dakota. The court agreed with this view of the case, and the result may be a new action on the merits of the case which will permit defendants to defend as to the merits of the action.

J. L. Houghton and others favor the Couriers with the news of war.

Mr. Joseph Buckheit and wife arrived in Cooperstown Saturday, and drove immediately to Willow.

Frank Cowen is back from a pleasant trip to Wisconsin.

Dr. G. L. Virgo, well known by the old county seat fighters and settlers, who has been engaged in the drug business at Page, has purchased the Gillespie building and will open up a drug store in about two weeks.

The supervisors and Geo. Brandenburg offer a reward of \$300 for the conviction of the party who exploded dynamite under Brandenburg's store at Wheatland July 4th. We won't give you away, Bob; but we have our suspicions. If you had come to the terminal town with the rest of the Dazey boys the 4th, you would have been all right. Can it be, however, that in our boasted land of freedom, a man can't have a little fun without having a fuse made about it.

The Pioneer says E. J. McMahon lost the diamond in his ring on the ball ground last week. Ed. must have been over to the "Forks" and bet on the wrong club.

The COURIER is indebted to Mrs. Zimmerman and Miss Christine Bauer for the elaborate trimming of the COURIER horse on the Fourth.

The Hope nine is said to have been warped at Grand Forks by a score of 21 to 1.

A trap shooting tournament at Cooperstown is seriously talked of for the early part of August. Parties in Jamestown, Fargo, Sanborn, Hope and at other points have agreed to participate and a lively time may be expected.

W. C. Jameson says late wheat is good for 30 bushels to the acre.

A mammoth temperance picnic on the river Tuesday July 20th. The Good Templars and river societies will join. It will be held at Quale's grove and will be a basket picnic.

The Sunday schools have a picnic at Lake Jessie next Tuesday. All interested in Sunday school work are invited to join. Basket picnic.

F. H. Adams has purchased a lot adjoining the COURIER office and will build a barn.

Mrs. Geo. B. Frost preached a bright, original sermon at the Congregational church Sunday morning.

No services at the Baptist church Sunday. The minister was "sprinkled" in the thunder shower, and arrived too late for evening service.

Edith and Mable Field, sisters of Mrs. Willis Lawrence, and Charley Field, brother, Mrs. McGuire and family, with Addie Dale, sister of Mrs. J. A. Lawrence, accompanied the Lawrences in their camping expedition to Devils Lake.

John Quale, by his attorney David Bartlett, replevined, Wednesday, about 15 tons of hay taken from Section 23-147-28. It seems that Mr. Quale purchased it from the N. P. R. R. company. The case comes up before Justice Melgard, Monday.

Treasurer Thompson has bought Old Gold of Andrew Johnson. The price paid was approximately \$300, part trade. Knud thinks he has a team now. Well, he has, and a good one.

Knud Thompson had new potatoes on the 6th. M. Zimmerman had the same. Green pens are about ready for the table.

Iver Udegard has been in Minnesota, and has brought back the young Clyde stallion "Young Scotchman."

Charles M. MacLaren having left Cooperstown and established a law office in St. Paul, his title of "Judge" is hereby reclinced and declared vacant.

E. W. Blackwell was busy Monday, hauling away his share of the lumber generously contributed for the Fourth.

Messrs. Leavitt, Simington, Miller and Warner went to Lake Jessie fishing, Sunday. They were thoroughly wet down in the storm, and will probably go to church (some) in the future.

A "bachelor's" surprise party was tendered to Will Gimblett at his prairie home last Friday evening, and a nice time enjoyed. Among those present were: A. N. Adams and wife, Geo. Newberry and wife, J. N. Brown and wife, Chas. Hall and wife, Mrs. R. C. Cooper, Mrs. Newell, Misses Gimblett and Melgard, and Messrs. Tom Gimblett and Dick Hall.

The Hotels and restaurants now serve Pate de Fois Gras and Pomme de Terre as extras.

Farmer: Say, Mr. Ward, give me another dish o' them green peas. They are the bing dangest best peas I ever chewed.

Ward: You big gilly you, those are 'new potatoes. I put seventeen on that saucer, and I'll be g'ing bangled if you hav'nt busted the stock. They are worth seven dollars a pound. Here! you cook, bring Mr. Snoodleheiser some pie. It's time to eat your pie, Mr. Snoodleheiser.

J. H. Van Voorhis was visited by hall, Sunday. The damage was but slight.

Mrs. J. H. Van Voorhis is visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Cox, at Sanborn.

The Whiddens are going to Spiritwood to camp.

E. W. Blackwell has contracted for the excavation of a cellar. It must be that Ed. is afraid of cyclones.

At the school meeting, Tuesday, the question was raised as to the eligibility of one of the new members of the board. It is said that he is not a resident of the district in which he was elected. On the other hand it is claimed that he has a home-stead in the district, and that that is his only home—he being a single man. The question of residence is a vexed one, and while a government claim has little to do with the matter, it is to be hoped that no inconvenience or trouble will result in this case. The delay in deciding the Greendale school cases is vexations enough in itself.

Willow.

The Colorado potato bugs are putting in quite a numerous appearance. Exterminate them.

The mail carrier, Paul A. Byklum, had a kick up and runaway on his trip up last Monday. West Flick gathered up the wreck and brought it on to Willow and Herb Safford took Paul and the mail through to Harrisburg. Whoever finds a sack of flour lying around loose on the prairie can leave it at Ottawa or Hammer & Condy's in Cooperstown and get a reward. This ought to have happened on the Fourth and been included in the Cooperstown celebration for it was a real circus—not for Paul, though.

Did you ever hear of a sect called wooden christians. 'Tis said "Independent" that they are building them at Willow. Haven't seen but one, however, it calls itself Occasional, and by the way, for vain, verdant, verbeosity, and a vile, venomous vaporer, this same Occ— takes the cake. It's a vile bird that fowls its own nest and I think with Occasional's help the Iverjoberg nest will soon become so foul that the whole gang will have to vacate it. Even Old Hermitage will not drown the odor.

We learn that Mrs. O. L. Reed's health is much improved since she returned to Fort Dodge, Ia.

Gid Sheldon dined for a large dancing party at Louie Larson's last Friday night.

I think under the present state of things if I were running the centre of trade for north Griggs, I would shoot some of my "alleged" friends full of Ayer's pills if they didn't keep their mouths shut.

We celebrated on the Fourth at Cooperstown. Had a good time, of course.

Joe Buckheit and wife arrived at Willow Saturday last. All extend congratulations.

Washington Letter.

(From our Regular Correspondent) WASHINGTON D. C. July 8th, 1887.

The other day when an investigation of the accounts of Levi Bacon, late financial clerk of the Patent office revealed the fact that he was a defaulter in the sum of \$33,000, the wonder and excitement of the clerks, who a few days before had solemnly resolved that the death of such an official was a public calamity and that his devotion to duty and sterling integrity were worthy of emulation and admiration, may be faintly imagined but not accurately described. It had been Bacon's custom to prepay the salaries of his friends for months in advance—one had drawn \$500 more than was due—and so quite a number of the clerks felt a sorrow very personal, for scores of due—bills had told their own story. The Secretary gave stringent orders to deduct these amounts from the salaries of the delinquents, and as a result some of them will not handle any Government cash in several months. Mr. Jas. L. Norris, Chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee of the District of Columbia, a prominent patent attorney, is also a sincere mourner, being one of Bacon's bondsmen.

Since the 1st, inst., the Treasury has paid out about \$12,000,000 in pensions and so far for this month the disbursements exceed the receipts by more than \$9,000,000 and there is every indication that this ratio will be maintained, if not increased, throughout the month. At the Treasury Department it is claimed that the heavy disbursements to be made between now and Sept. 1st, will reduce the surpluses in the Treasury to about \$36,000,000. But after then, what? Unless there is some unforeseen relief the overflow in the Treasury vaults will continue, producing such a widespread and ruinous panic that one shudders when contemplating the consequences. The only consoling and comforting result that your correspondent can rolve from such a probable public loss will be the final and utter overthrow of the Democracy; but the question would be, whether the game is worth the candle, as their defeat in the next Presidential campaign, is almost certain, independent of their financial policy.

At least, Mr. Cleveland's war substitute comes to the front, and makes in substance, this statement, which is attested by three credible witnesses. That his name is Geo. Brinski and that Grover Cleveland paid him \$150 to act as his substitute, which service he faithfully performed; that Mr. Cleveland promised to help him should he survive the war; that he is now old, poor and enfeebled by disease; that he is friendless and the inmate of a Soldier's and Sailor's hospital at Bath, N. J., that, although the president's attention has been repeatedly called to his case he has done nothing for him since the war, and will not even use his influence to have him pensioned. His war-worn substitute forgets that his ungrateful and unpatriotic beneficiary is prejudiced against pensioning union veterans. The glorious Fourth was generally, though not publicly, celebrated; most of the citizens of Washington sought recreation in the surrounding countries. The small boys remained in the city and exploited their patriotism with fire crackers.

Miss Jessie Haskell is visiting friends at Hannaford.

In accordance with the new law the commissioners of Steele county, together with the judge of probate and treasurer, on July 6th, appointed C. G. Huntly county auditor. Nearly all the counties except Griggs now have auditors, and Griggs seems to need an auditor as bad as any of them.

This Space. -WATCH- This Space.

THE DEERING "All Steel" Binder and Bundle Carrier, The Deering Giant Mower, 5, 6, and 7 Ft. cut. The New Deering 4 1-2 Ft. cut. The Deering Twine. M L MICHAELS, AGT., COOPERSTOWN, DAKOTA.

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