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R. R. Guide.

The Cooperstown train leaves for Sanborn at 8:15 a. m.; arrives 11:10 a. m., connecting with the Jamestown Accommodation, west. Train leaves Sanborn for Cooperstown 4:30 p. m. Fargo Express leaves Sanborn for Bismarck 7:08 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 55 cents.

A good top buggy for sale at the COURIER office.

Two English gentlemen were sitting under the piazza at the Kindred hotel in Valley City Saturday, during a hail storm.

"Isn't this rather dreadful?" inquired one of the gentlemen. "Those hail stones must do a bloody sight of damage to the crops. I declare some of them are as big as silver balls, bah Jove."

They sat there for ten minutes making all kinds of breaks about the blasted country, when the porter took a cake of ice to the top of the piazza and commenced chipping it up and throwing it down to help out the storm.

"My Lawd!" said one of them, they are getting bigger and bigger. There is one bigger than the size of a goose egg. There is a bloody one has big has a cricket ball. It's a wondah to me the 'ouses are not knocked down and 'orses killed."

Here the porter heaved a ten pound chunk and both parties rushing out to secure the specimen, one was hit in the rear and knocked into the ditch, while the other broke his pants across the seat.

"Great Gawd" said the one knocked in the ditch, I think hit must 'ave been an iceberg that struck me. Hit nevah weighed less than ninety pounds."

Later in the evening one of the gentlemen wrote and forwarded the following letter to England. VALLEY CITY, Dak., U. S. A., Aug. 6th, 1887. TO HIS GRACE THE DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE:

My Dear Father: I do not think this country to be what my fawncey painted it, so I would request that you do not sell the consols for investment here. The country is subject to fearful and awe inspiring storms. You will hardly credit the statement when I inform you that this evening there was a storm in which the ice fell in chunks as large as a man's head, and which must necessarily be destructive to human life. One specimen which I secured weighed upon the inn scales some thirty-eight pounds, and nearly knocked the brains out of Lord George Gordon Ponsonby who is traveling with me. A very singular thing is that there are insects and some grass in the specimen. I fear it will be impossible to preserve the specimen but the grass and insects I shall bring 'ome with me. I learn that it is nothing uncommon to find snow packs a hundred feet deep here in the winter, and that the mercury sinks often to 75 degrees below zero. I am studying the habits and manners of the natives. I have just learned a new game at cards which is called sitch, and which I will teach you when I return, also an interesting game which is called draw. I promise to be quite apt at it. I wagered forty pounds and lost them last evening, but lost but twenty this evening so that my progress is very apparent.

Yours fraternally, AUGUSTUS.

Superintendent of Schools Kerr held a teachers examination on Tuesday.

Mrs. J. L. Haskell, of Hansford, drove up to Cooperstown Tuesday.

Judge of Probate Peter E. Nelson recorded the first marriage since the new law went into effect, Tuesday. John O. Ole being the first to get to the front.

Colonel Stork wishes the G. A. R. boys to remember that Frank Rockwell post will hereafter meet every first and third Saturday in the month. J. L. Haskell joined the post last week.

We regret to learn that Mrs. O. D. Parinton has been confined to her bed by sickness for several days past.

J. H. Montgomery returned from Montana on Monday night, to pay a short visit to his family.

A croquet party took place at Mrs. G. W. Barnard's Tuesday night. Miss May Lawrence, the Miss Fields, and Messrs. Geo. B. and Willis Clark and Frank Cowen represented the town.

A letter from Rev. Geo. B. Frost, offering his resignation as pastor of the Congregational church, on account of failing health was read to the members, and congregation in church Sunday morning.

Treasurer Thompson and family have gone to Devils Lake for a ten days visit.

Peter Stewart is in town again working at his trade—slinging plaster.

At the regular meeting of the Good Templars last Monday night it was decided to have a temperance convention in Cooperstown the last Saturday in August. Delegates from all over the county will be present.

Cashier J. M. Burrell came up from Sanborn Tuesday night, and seemed to have lots of business on hand.

M. L. Michaels, Iver Jacobson and Rollef Berg were over to Steele county last week.

H. B. Simington and C. P. Miller went to Mayville Sunday, to see their girls.

Contractor Muir has finished Joe B's stable, and says that if he can't beat Old Gold now it isn't his fault.

Henrich & Clark, the Jamestown bottlers, say the Cooperstown beer drinkers are the most careful business men in the county. They keep cases on the firm right along.

Miss Christina Baner went to her home at Red Wing, Monday. She expects to return in the fall. She will teach school in the Chas. Nelson district.

The output of binders is as great as usual. If harvester and binder bones brought as much as buffalo bones the poor devils who have been working for McCormick & Co., might get the interest on their money back.

The N. P. folks very unwisely reduced the section crews on the Cooperstown branch and the result is grass on the track two feet high, and the train stuck every day.

Saturday was an exciting day among the "patrons" of the Cooperstown school—"patrons," by the way is a good word. It is a relic of the A. Sheridan Jones dispensation. The excitement was as to who should be "preceptress" in our primary department during the fall months. Old Mrs. Fiddlebox was charging around for her candidate; while Mr. Gumpfuddle was just raising—for his candidate, and Major McGulpin was mounted on his lilly white charger scouring the town, and the rest of the of the people who wish to run the machine were equally active. A little sand in the director, Mr. H. Retzlaff, would have saved all the bother, ill feeling and disappointment. The vote of the patrons was taken at Clerk Johnson's office. Miss Christine Baner had six vote, Mrs. Will Carlton had six while Mrs. Hodge captured fourteen—and the school.

The children's missionary society held a fair and ice-cream social at the Baptist hall last Saturday night. From the sale of fancy articles and ice-cream the children realized about eighteen dollars.

County Assessor Fiero was in from Helena, Wednesday.

The ladies' missionary society of the Congregational church gave a coffee supper Wednesday evening. The supper was good, well attended, and the receipts much appreciated by the society.

Postmaster Jameson has musk and water melons in his garden which he will cut next week. His corn has grown so tall that he has to take a step ladder to get at the ears. He will sell the stalks for lightning rods.

W. E. Bryant, late conductor on the Minneapolis & St. Louis, has accepted an appointment as traveling passenger and freight agent with the Minnesota & Northwestern, with headquarters at Detroit. His territory extends from Chicago to Montreal.—Minneapolis Tribune.

Mrs. J. F. Bronson, of Sanborn, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Leavitt.

C. E. Blackwell, of Jamestown, was a visitor to the city, Wednesday.

Mrs. Chas. F. Welland presented Charley with a fine little souvenir of their wedded life Tuesday morning. It is a nice girl; weight 7 1/2 pounds. Mrs. Welland and baby are both doing well.

A grand invitation dance is one of the attractions being talked of for next week.

A wedding, to take place in September, is talked of, which will convert one of our Cooperstown maidens into a matron.

Misses Theresa Gimblett, Bertie Langford and Mrs. C. W. Hodge were examined for certificates by the Superintendent, Tuesday.

John Fairbanks has jumped his job as clerk at the Palace and now runs the mail route for Hammer & Condy.

R. C. Busee is running opposition to Walks as a painter. The artistic finish he put on Lawrence Brothers store has gained him quite a reputation.

The six-weeks-old child of Julius Retzlaff died on Monday of cholera infantum. The funeral took place Tuesday afternoon.

Chris Lande the jeweler and H. L. Walen the shoemaker are getting up a wild west show. Sunday, Lande proposed that Walen should hold up a stick and he would shoot it out of his hand with a revolver. Lande is a fairly good shot, but when the explosion came the shoemaker jumped ten feet in the air. Jewillikens crickets! blankety blank the blank blank blank! He was shot through the hand. Dr. Kerr dressed the wound. If Chris wants to learn how to shoot an apple off a man's head he will have to get a new subject.

Miss Campbell who has been visiting friends in Cooperstown and vicinity for some time past departs this week for Minnesota and from thence to St. Clair, Mich.

M. W. and C. M. Lawrence excursioned into the country Tuesday.

Miss Josie Haskell visited Miss Aggie Rukke at Lee Saturday, remaining until Tuesday.

Landlord Pashley has been confined to his room the past few days with erysipelas in his face. He is improving again, however.

E. W. Blackwell's house is enclosed.

Take one! "Compliments of Norine Morine Black" was the label pasted on a box of choice havannas in the barber shop Monday morning. The above means the arrival of a baby girl at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Silas Black, last Sunday morning, Aug. 7th, 1887. She tips the beam at 10 1/2 pounds, and the jubilant daddy says she is as fat as axel grease.

A pleasant little tea party was given to Mrs. J. A. Adams by Mrs. R. C. Cooper, Saturday. The ladies present were Mrs. Geo. F. Newell, Mrs. Frost, Mrs. T. F. Kerr, Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Barnard, Mrs. J. N. Brown Mrs. Cooper and Miss Belle Rice. Mrs. Adams left Monday for Madison, Wis., where she will spend several weeks with her daughters before returning to Vermont.

Mrs. Isabella Brown, mother of J. N. and B. B. Brown and Mrs. Zimmerman, with her daughter Mrs. J. H. Mallet, of Meridan, Michigan, are visiting at Mrs. Zimmerman's. Grandma Brown, as the old lady is called by her relatives, thinks Dakota is the place for everybody.

The four-months-old infant of Mr. and Mrs. Herb Chamberlain died yesterday morning of cholera infantum.

Nothing To Say.

(From THE COUNTRY MAGAZINE.)
NORMAN: to say, my daughter! Nothin' at all to say!—
Girls that's in love, I've noticed, ginerly has their way!
Year mother did, afore you, when her folks objected to me.
Yit here I am, and here you are! and yer mother—where is she?
You look just like your mother: purty much same in size;
And about the same complected; and favor about the eyes.
Like her, too, about livin' here, because she couldn't stay;
I'll most seem like you was dead like her!—but I hain't got nothin' to say!
She left yer her little Bible—writ yer name across the page.—
And left her ear-bobs for yer, ef ever you come of age. I've ails kept 'em and gyardned 'em! but if yer goin' away—
Nothin' to say, my daughter! Nothin' at all to say!
You don't rikolleck her, I reckon? No; you wawn' a year old then!
And now yer—how old air you? Why, child, no 'twenty!' When?
And yer nex' birthday's in April? and you want to git married that day?
. . . I wisht yer mother was livin'—but I hain't got nothin' to say!
Twenty year! and as good a gyrl as parent ever found!
There's a straw ketcht onto yer dress there—I'll bresh it off—t'rh round.
(Her mother was jett twenty when us two run away!)
Nothin' to say, my daughter! Nothin' at all to say, James Whitcomb Riley.

School Exhibition.

On the afternoon of July 31st a school exhibition was held at the Bolkan school house. Through the kind assistance of Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Bolkan, the school house was well decorated with flowers and greens. Quite a long programme of songs, recitations, and dialogues had been prepared, and were, without exception, very creditable rendered, as was shown by the hearty applause of the visitors. Especially appreciated was the impersonation, "The Usual Husband," in which master Herbie Frost gave the role of the ordinary, exacting husband, and Miss Annie Hagen that of the patient, hardworking wife who meekly receives the scolding of her lord and master, and the farce "Hasty Opinions," in which Masters Herbie Frost and Chester Platt and Misses Annie and Isabel Hagen took part; also an oration by Master Martin O. Bolkan.

It was a nice day and the school house was crowded with visitors, including a few from Cooperstown. In closing the term of school, the teacher desires to express his thanks to the patrons of the district for their interest in his work, as shown by the full attendance at the "last day" exercises, as well as by the regular attendance of their children during the term. It may seem strange, but it is nevertheless a fact, that one of the greatest evils a country school teacher has to contend with, is the very irregular way in which most pupils attend. One is out one day, another another day, and either the work is only finished in part, or the ground must be gone over again and again for the benefit of those who have been out.

SIXER BERUMGARD, Teacher.
Mardell, Aug. 8th, 1887.

Willow.

Everybody busy harvesting and having lots of trouble with their binders on account of the weeds and short grain.

Hank Retzlaff was up Monday looking after the Planes. Hank makes a boss No. 1 expert.

E. G. Johnson has a fine field of wheat and a few others ditto, but the major part of the wheat in this section will be a light yield.

Art Know started up his machine last week and threshed out a quantity of oats and barley for feed.

Postmaster Jameson, of Cooperstown, Sundayed at the farm.

T. O. Torgerson lost a good colt by lightning last week.

Joe Buchett's corn is nearly ready to go cooning for.

Does it pay to sow corn or millet for fodder? Well look at a small strip P. M. Clarke has and then judge for yourself.

Say, a seventy-five dollar printing outfit that runs like a hand organ with a little CRANK is a big thing in the newspaper line, ain't it. Oh my!

Potato crop looking splendid and promise a big yield. Those that planted a good patch of potatoes this year made no mistake.

Over the river, CHRIS X

Dr. Virgo has bought ten lots on the mountain, and will build at once.

There is a little twine in town at from 15 to 18 cents per pound. The demand seems to have been supplied.

The twine famine is not over. About fifty farmers were waiting at the Dazey station Wednesday night for expected twine. Most of them were gratified by receiving it.

Herman Retzlaff is raising a fine crop of wheat this year. Herman says wheat is all right if you don't keep a pig.

Miss Christina Monson, sister of Mrs. K. Hegge came up from Perham, Minn., last night, and will remain about two weeks visiting her sister.

The genial Nels Larsen, of Dazey, has built him the finest house in northern Barnes.

All jewelry, stationery, books, etc., at the Bronson store, Sanborn, are being sold off at cost.

The Hon. F. H. Adams, of Cooperstown, is in the city. Rural life in Griggs is rather monotonous and dull and occasionally Fred runs down here to regale himself with the sight of a business town.—Times Record.

The truth of the matter is when the people leave Cooperstown it is for rest not excitement. Valley City during the boom was like Cooperstown at the present time.

DR. VIRGO'S New Drug Store

Will be open with a new and complete line of DRUGS, PATENT MEDICINES, DRUGGISTS' SUNDRIES, and EXTRAS, DYE COLORS, WINES and LIQUORS (for medical purposes), LEADS, WINDOW GLASS, PUTTY,

Mixed Paints, Oils, Varnish, Wood Stains.

A new and complete line of fifty patterns of WALL PAPER.

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A large line of cigars. Agent for "TANSILL'S PUNCH," 5c 10c and 15c cigars. Call and see the five

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H. RETZLAFF.

SAMPLE ROOMS. LIVERY STABLE ADJACENT.

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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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