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### Letter from Judge Forrest.

Trondhem, Norway.  
June 19th, 1907.

Editor Leader: Today is the first  
rainy day we have had in Norway and  
Dr. Wendt and Wm. Tank are taking  
things easy while they insist that I  
write you a letter for all of our friends  
in Lincoln County.

We are certainly having a great  
trip and everything looks good to us.  
In fact we are seeing too much, so  
that it will take a month or two after  
we get home to think the different  
sights over and compare them in our  
mind to determine which we think is  
the most important, interesting or  
beautiful, and on that account it is  
difficult to pick out of the whole mat-  
ter for a short letter.

A week ago last Monday we left  
Christiania by rail after seeing that  
city thronged, and went to a town called  
Fagernes, in Valdres, and immedi-  
ately after we left Christiania the  
sights commenced as we plunged into  
the mountains through a wilderness  
of evergreen trees, crystal waters,  
quaint old Dutch tiled houses and  
picturesque people. It did not seem  
that mountains could be higher or  
grander and were soon entirely out of  
adjectives and exclamations and quit  
trying to say anything about each  
new wonder of scenic beauty as it  
came into sight and just looked. At  
night we stopped at a tourist hotel at  
Fagernes and in the morning, in  
company with Mr. and Mrs. Sexe who  
had preceded us here on account of  
it having been the home of Mrs.  
Sexe's parents, we started in carriages  
for a drive of 117 miles to Laerdal, and  
on this trip we soon found that the  
country coming from Christiania had  
been pretty smooth compared with  
that over which we were to drive,  
which was over the most rugged  
mountains in Southern Norway. The  
road was perfect and gave the  
writer his first definite understanding  
of the power of the old world mon-  
archical governments, for century after  
century, to impress into the service  
of the state the brawn and muscle of  
their populations to do stupendous  
public works where time is not a con-  
sideration in any undertaking, for the  
reason that there will always be  
plenty of hands to continue in the  
next generation what the last lacked  
time to do. This road is literally cut  
out of solid rock for over a hundred  
miles and curls around the face of  
precipice after precipice, great moun-  
tains of rock reaching to perpetual  
snow above it and in many places  
overhanging so as to shut out day-  
light, while hundreds of feet straight  
down roars and boils into soap-like  
foam the clear, cold waters of a moun-  
tain river, and along its open edge  
every ten feet for its whole length are  
set heavy cut stones, and there are a  
dozen or more of these king's high-  
ways more than three hundred miles  
in length and a great many more  
shorter ones, nearly every rod of which  
shows the drill marks like lacework  
where giant powder has torn frag-  
ment by fragment from the great  
rock mountains until a splendid, easy  
road is made, and by dates cut in the  
cliffs the traveler can see that it has  
taken several years to make a mile.

The season here is as late or later  
than in the States, so that on the tops  
of all the mountains there is still  
snow many feet deep which is melt-  
ing rapidly in the June sun. In every  
direction can be seen what is one of  
the most beautiful sights in Norway,  
or anywhere else, and that is im-  
mense falls of perfectly clear water  
rushing down the sides of the highest  
mountains, boiling and foaming along  
steep declivities and then suddenly  
leaping off the edge and down a per-  
pendicular wall of rock two, three, six  
hundred or a thousand feet until it  
finds a passage to the sea through a  
fjord. At many places on the two  
days and half trip we could see a  
dozen of these beautiful water falls at  
one time and we were hardly ever out  
of sight of one or more.

After arriving at Laerdal we took a  
steamer on Songen Fjord, the longest  
in Norway, and went to Goodrangen  
at which place we again took rigs and  
drove to Vose and on this ride of  
about 50 miles we went over the  
highest mountains on which there  
was many feet of snow that will never  
melt of which we snowballed each  
other to a finish as the boys say. At  
Vose we took the train for Bergen  
and on this railroad we saw the  
achievement of a task that must have  
been stupendous; here the railroad  
runs over and through a range of  
mountains that are rugged almost  
beyond description and every rod of  
the road is blasted through the rock  
and in two hours we went through  
fifty-three tunnels from 100 to 1500  
meters long. At Bergen alone we saw  
the fish market where several hundred  
fishing boats sell their catch every  
day to the local consumers. After  
spending a very interesting but busy  
time there we went by steamer,  
the Oscar Kyree, to Trondhem, Nor-  
way's old capital to see its sights and  
world-famous Cathedral, the great-  
est relic of Catholic Norway, com-  
menced in the year 1015 A. D. and  
which has had the most unfortunate

history of any great church building  
in Europe having been destroyed five  
times, by fire three times by lightning  
and twice by the burning of Trond-  
hem; it has never at any time been  
finished but since 1868 it has been in  
the hands of workmen who will fully  
complete it. At the altar in this  
great building has been crowned nine  
kings of Norway and under its stone  
floors lie the bodies of six or seven of  
them with their families, but the ex-  
act locations of all but one of the  
tombs have been lost. We leave here  
tonight for Christiania. We left Mr.  
and Mrs. Sexe at Bergen from where  
they went to Sexe's home in Hardan-  
ger to stay a month.

I would like to write to you of a  
hundred interesting things I have  
seen and of many impressions I have  
had from things in Norway but it is  
impossible in a letter. Here there is  
no perceptible difference between  
night and day only you can't see the  
sun at night, for while it is just below  
the horizon from 10:40 to 2:07, one  
does not feel any more like going to  
bed than at Canton in the middle of  
the afternoon.

While we are in the cities I am left  
pretty much alone as Dr. Wendt has  
visited many hospitals and clinics  
and met many of Norway's most re-  
putable physicians and Mr. Tank has  
been inspecting the bakeshops and  
interviewing the boss bakers. Before  
we left home we appointed him secre-  
tary to make notes of what we see in  
Norway and yesterday for some pur-  
pose I had to look at his note book  
and I discovered that as a traveler's  
note book it was considerable of a  
failure but as a receipt and cook-book  
it was an admirable success. On this  
account I am getting so that I can go  
it alone in Norwegian pretty well.  
We are particularly impressed with  
the disposition of everyone to go out  
of their way to make it possible for  
us to see everything interesting. These  
people are so polite that it makes  
a westerner with his kind of  
manners feel foolish and he wonders if  
he has paid as much attention to  
those little things as he had ought to.  
I would like to write you much more  
but cannot impose more upon your  
space. We are about 1000 miles from  
the north pole here, and something  
like 6000 miles from home.

Yours Truly,  
Asa Forrest, Jr.

### Notice—Reward

The Sioux Fish and Game Club of  
Lincoln County, offers a reward of \$10,  
for each arrest and conviction of per-  
sons violating any of the provisions of  
the laws of the State of South Dakota,  
relative to the "Protection of Fish,"  
or for any information furnished the  
club, or the Game Warden of Lincoln  
County, leading to such arrest and con-  
viction. The Sioux Fish & Game Club,  
By A. G. Nold,  
President.

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## Light Summer Suits

## Summer Shirts

## And Straw Hats

You need them—we have  
them. Our prices will  
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Up-to-Date Clothiers, Canton.

## Senator LaFollette's Great Speech.

A Brilliant and Able Discussion  
of Representative Govern-  
ment as it Was and as  
it is Now.

Senator LaFollette arrived in Can-  
ton at 3:30 Monday after traveling  
Sunday night by team and train to  
Sioux City where he missed connec-  
tion for Canton. Then he took the  
Northwestern to Sheldon where he  
was met by Ben Churchyard and his  
auto and made the run to Canton in  
two hours and twenty minutes.

The Senator was greeted with en-  
thusiastic applause by an audience of  
nearly 3000 people as he stepped to  
the front of the platform at the con-  
clusion of Superintendent Cave's in-  
troduction. He explained why he  
was late and then began a masterful  
discussion of representative govern-  
ment. He spoke rapidly and with  
dramatic effect and carried his audi-  
ence spellbound with his magnetism  
for two hours and fifty minutes and  
none were tired when he concluded.  
He spoke from 4 until ten minutes of  
7 and that audience would have miss-  
ed supper and everything else had he  
spoke longer. His train left at 7:30  
and he just had to stop for he was  
billed for an address in Nebraska on  
Tuesday and had to travel all night  
to make his appointment.

He is a wonderful combination,  
possessing magnetic energy and ora-  
torical power that arouses and stim-  
ulates the people to a sense of their  
political obligations and of their pow-  
er and no man on the public platform  
today is doing a greater work to re-  
store representative government to a  
truly representative condition than  
the brilliant Wisconsin senator.

He thundered his denunciation of  
the men who had destroyed equal op-  
portunity for all the people and his  
description of the trust system and  
its manipulation in the interests of  
those who are robbing the producers  
and consumers was a picture before  
which men must realize their helplessness  
unless true representatives of the  
people are sent to congress. The peo-  
ple part in the government depends  
on their representatives in congress,  
and when men are sent to congress  
who betray their trust they must be  
swept aside and honest men put in  
their place. The power of the people  
to right the wrongs they suffer, he  
said, is so plain and so perfect in our  
system of government that he who is  
robbed must destroy the robber or  
suffer at the hands of men who are in  
combination in violation of law. The  
American people must arise and per-  
form a patriotic duty and restore re-  
presentative government and preserve  
liberty and equal opportunity for  
themselves and their posterity or  
suffer industrial slavery through cow-  
ardice.

The great corporations, he said, are  
the bane of state legislatures and our  
politics and only two sessions of con-  
gress in thirty years have been free of  
railroad domination, a burning dis-  
grace but unfortunately true. This  
country belongs not to the Rockefeller  
or the Morgans, but the rights of  
the people have been sold and bartered  
by dishonest representatives into the  
hands of men who scoff at law and  
defy justice, and through their  
pliant tools in congress are permitted  
to rob and plunder the consumers and  
producers. How long, he shouted,  
will the people permit this brazen in-  
equity? The manhood of the nation  
must strike this monster and destroy  
it. It is gradually destroying the  
liberties of the people and compelling  
men to sell at prices fixed by the  
trust and buy at prices fixed by this  
infamous combine.

Talk about liberty and equality!  
None possess it but the men who rule  
and regulate the trusts. You think  
you are free, he exclaimed with a  
spirit that would have made Patrick  
Henry smile in the days when he  
thundered for liberty or death. Where  
is your boasted freedom when the  
trusts rule the nation?

The private corporations were ab-  
sorbed by the trusts and the trusts  
are regulated by an inner circle  
who dictate the buying and selling  
price of the products of the nation.  
The trusts of the country today are  
capitalized at thirty-three thousand  
million dollars and seventy-five men  
dictate the policy of the trusts. God  
never gave that power to them. They  
got it through trust owned congress-  
men and corporation satellites and  
these traitors to the people support  
and protect this unholy combina-  
tion. He described the organization  
and manipulation of the steel trust  
which is levying a highwayman's trib-  
ute from every home in the nation.  
It's original capital was four hundred  
million and the men who formed the  
combination increased the capital  
stock to fourteen hundred million  
dollars making the consumers of steel  
and iron pay enormous profits on the  
ten hundred millions of watered  
stock, and the men in this state and  
in every state who support the old  
political machines are supporters of  
this infamous system because the old

## The Time Has Come To Make Hay

Are you prepared? Are the ropes on  
your hay carrier in good condition? Is  
the track in working order? Will the  
carrier stand the heavy strain another  
season?

It will not pay you to start into the hay  
harvest poorly equipped. We have every  
thing in this line you need—rope, track  
hangers, and rafter irons. We recom-  
mend and quote you prices on the fol-  
lowing high grade carriers and slings.

Star carrier complete ..... \$7.50  
Strickler carrier complete ..... \$6.50  
Law Steel "Hay Slings" (set of 3) ..... \$8.25  
Strickler Hay Slings, (set of 3) ..... \$7.50  
Our line of hay forks is a leader. Headquarters for every-  
thing good in Hardware.

## Treat Hardware Company,

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political machines were organized and  
supported by the railroads and trust  
agents, and through this system of  
treachery and deception the state  
machines manipulated political con-  
ventions for the benefit of their  
trust masters, and thus congress was  
packed with men who betrayed the  
people.

The Senator's speech from begin-  
ning to end was a truthful and ter-  
rible picture of the corruption that  
has throttled the industrial life of  
the nation, and in speaking of his own  
efforts in the senate to give the rail-  
road commission power to fix the  
value of railroad property so that a  
fair valuation for taxation might be  
obtained, he read a list of those who  
voted to table his resolution and  
among them was the senator from  
South Dakota, Mr. Kittredge, and in  
another roll call on another measure  
against the corporations and trusts  
he again showed that Senator Kit-  
tredge voted with the trusts and  
against the people. It was an eye  
opener for some of Mr. Kittredge's  
friends who think he is a genuine  
trust buster.

When the senator closed his mag-  
nificent address men and women ruf-  
led from all parts of the auditorium  
to congratulate the brilliant cham-  
pion of the people and wish him god-  
speed in his glorious mission.  
Hon. W. T. LaFollette of Mitchell  
occupied a seat on the platform and  
accompanied his distinguished brother  
to the train.

### Make It Cap And Gown.

E. G. Cooley, superintendent of the  
Chicago schools, has struck the first  
blow for emancipation of the sweet  
girl graduate from the expense and  
heart burnings of the fussy graduation  
gown. Asked what ought to be the  
cost of a dress for the occasion he  
pounded his desk for emphasis and  
declared: "Not more than 75 cents."  
He added that in Chicago and many  
other places scores of students whose  
purses are thin drop out with no di-  
ploma, because they can not bear the  
expense of dresses as good as others  
wear nor the humiliation of being so  
publicly outdone.—Brookings Press.

Prof. Cooley is right in his opinion  
and brave enough, we believe, to  
stand for it against the silly oppo-  
sition of the shoddy rich who believe  
in dress and display instead of com-  
mon sense and education.

The Sioux Falls high school gradu-  
ating class for this year, numbering  
61, appeared in regulation cap and  
gown and everybody seemed delighted  
at the beauty and simplicity of the  
dress. Let Canton adopt this system  
for 1908.

### The Deaf-Mutes Picnic.

A number of deaf-mutes enjoyed a  
picnic at the home of Mr. and Mrs.  
S. O. Skartvedt on the 4th. It was a  
very interesting event and much en-  
joyed by all. The deaf-mutes engaged  
in athletic sports and contests, and per-  
formed some surprising feats. Otto  
Borby, one of the leaders in the  
event handed the Leader the follow-  
ing card of thanks.

"We, the deaf-mutes present at the  
picnic, extend our sincere thanks to  
the merchants and business men of  
Canton for things donated as prizes  
to the deaf-mute assembly in Canton  
July 4, 1907."

### Estray—Taken Up.

Taken up by John M. Nelson Nor-  
way Township on Section 30, about  
the first of May a red steer calf  
about a year old. Owner is requested  
to prove property pay all charges and  
remove same before July 10.  
Dated June 20, 1907.  
52-3 JOHN M. NELSON.

The Gate City Cigar is a winner.  
It's a favorite and makes a delightful  
smoke.

Charles A. Ramsdell, the popular  
citizen and leading druggist of Beres-  
ford was a Canton visitor Monday to  
hear the distinguished Wisconsin sen-  
ator. Bro. Ramsdell has all the splen-  
did traits of the accomplished gentle-  
man, and in this respect resembles  
his father who was popular in two  
states and a prominent member of  
the last territorial legislature from  
Brookings county. Druggist Rams-  
dell was a visitor at this office in  
company with Dr. Hanson and the  
editor was glad to meet both of them.

—Don't forget Becker's cigar store  
when you want a first class cigar or a  
handsome pipe.

Mr. Tossini says he will be pre-  
pared to supply Canton and the sur-  
rounding towns with as pure and as  
palatable ice cream as was ever used  
in Canton or any other town. The  
editor will state from his own knowl-  
edge that Mr. Tossini can do as he  
says. 41

—All kinds of office supplies and  
typewriter material at Noid & Ben-

## Headache

Can be cured only by  
a remedy that will  
remove the cause.  
The oftener you  
stop it with headache  
powders or pills the  
quicker will it return.  
Generally, headache  
comes from a dis-  
turbed stomach or  
irregular bowels, and  
almost invariably

## Lane's Family Medicine

(a tonic laxative) will cure head-  
ache in short order by regulat-  
ing the bowels and reinvigorating the  
stomach.  
It is a great blood medicine  
and the favorite laxative of old  
and young.  
At druggists', 25c. and 50c.

## The Cash Shoe Store

Thousands of men  
walk around with  
Oxfords slipping at  
heel. Too loose in  
the shank and mis-  
fitting instep.  
They feel "all  
feet" and look it.

Our  
OXFORDS  
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