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Shall the Prairies be Fired?

The time is fast approaching when the farmers of Lincoln county must decide what they will do, if anything, towards destroying the 'hoppers that are hatched and being hatched daily. Already some fields have been clipped entire, and others partialy. These insects, thus far, do not make their appearance upon all fields where grain has been sown; in two localities we learn that sod grain was attacked and eaten generally; while upon fields immediately adjoining, where grain was sown upon stubble, no damage is yet done. They are numerous in some localities and absent in others. It is supposed by many that fields now free from them will in time be covered' as they have not yet hatched, being buried or turned under by fall ploughing; others think that the ploughing, instead of planting them deeper, has destroyed the cells containing the eggs, and that no fears need be apprehended from the 'hoppers from that source.—We frankly admit that we are more puzzled by the conflicting theories and reports upon this grasshopper question than upon any matter we have ever considered of such a general and vital interest.

At the convention held at the Court House last Saturday, several gentlemen made practial and sound remarks; they were speaking from experience they have had heretofore and were now having with them upon their fields. Mr. Parks stated that from his observation, the red bug theory as a destroyer of the egg, was a humbug; he believed that they were not destroying the egg to any extent whatever; the bug was an accompaniment to the animal, they were brought here by the parent 'hopper, under their wing; upon his own premises, he was fully satisfied that the egg nor the young 'hopper was being injured materially, if at all.

Mr. Williams believed that the bug did destroy, but when approached or shadowed by a person near them, would suspend operation. Mr. Hinckley and several other gentlemen had also addressed the meeting but we were not present to hear them. The majority were in favor of burning, but one gentleman said that he doubted if their destruction would be effected by that means, as he had fired with in a few days, a portion of his own premises, old grass, and upon examination he found, after clearing away the ashes, that not to exceed one in ten was killed. But we think that is an exception to what destruction might be made by a general burning of the prairie, for the heat from a slow fire, set when wind was down and possibly better at night, must, it seems, be of sufficient intensity to burn every insect that could not fly.

There is also among our farmers a difference of opinion as to the burning at all, many claiming that if we do burn, it will destroy but a portion of them, as others equally as numerous will hatch, and that by burning we will destroy our best allies—the birds, which they claim are already doing an effective work.

Some apprehend if an arrangement is made to set fires uniformly, or at the same time, there will be a serious conflagration as the result and a good deal of property destroyed.

In this rambling manner we have given a portion of the views advanced by gentlemen with whom we have conversed, from which it is plain that no uniformity of opinion does or will be likely to prevail, although we believe a majority favors the torch.

Now as to the time; the convention very appropriately decided that it is impracticable to set any time at that meeting and accordingly adjourned to Saturday, the 12th inst.

This meeting should be well attended by the citizens of the entire county, as it will, in all probability, be the last county meeting held upon that question; and at it will be formed the conclusion whether every man is simply to look out for his own premises, firing when or if he chooses, or whether a day shall be agreed upon when all shall set fire, and the whole community be thus put upon the watch to guard against damage by the fire. It is really a momentous question, and of vital importance to the entire citizenship of Lincoln county. Turn out, farmers, without fail, and attend the meeting next Saturday.

Canton—

The ladies of the Congregational Church have a movement on foot by which they hope to secure funds towards the purchase of an Organ for their place of worship. Their present plan is to hold a fair of fancy and useful domestic articles, to be contributed by themselves and all those who desire to aid them in their praise-worthy effort; and we feel sure there will be a generous response. A committee of ladies has been appointed to receive the contributions, labelled with the giver's name, so that in case of failure, they may be returned. Committee consisting of Mrs. Cuppett, Mrs. Holsey, Mrs. H. Benedict, Mrs. Sarah Hewitt, Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. G. Martin, and Mrs. S. Loomis.

If your little girls wish to make a pincushion or kettle-holder, or any little trinket, please allow them the privilege. We expect to put our prices low to suit the times, so that the grasshopper may jump over them.

In behalf of the committee.

Yours truly,
MRS. W. F. THOMAS.

—101 teams crossed Beloit bridge, Saturday, between sunrise and sunset,

Local Items.

—THE County Commissioners are in session for the purpose of equalization.

—WM. ROBERTSON is shipping a considerable quantity of wheat.

—HARALDSON & BELHMER have just received a fresh stock of goods.

—FLOYD CARTER left to day for one of the up river Forts, via Yankton.

—S. ILLINGSWORTH is picking up what stray bags of wheat the 'hoppers overlooked in their raid last fall.

—MONDAY was a lively day in town. The session of the Board, and a law suit; drawing about equally.

—THE Sioux keeps on its old high, so much so that the Beloit mills are bothered about running regular.

—A party of Black Hillers, from Iowa, camped below town on the Beaver, below Bennett's, Tuesday night.

—MARK W. BAILEY writes from Deadwood, that Lawyer's in that place are "thicker than toads after a shower."

—WM. MCKAY and family left for Minnesota, Tuesday. Another of Canton's excellent citizens.

—THE storm we had here was not so severe as it was in Nebraska. 25 head of cattle were lost out of one herd in that state.

—A heavy fire was prevailing on the Iowa side below Beloit last night, also on the bluffs south of Canton, during the afternoon.

—E. E. CARPENTER was before the Board Wednesday, presenting the matter of leasing the Beloit bridge, or making some arrangement as to its being kept in repair.

—J. L. JOHNSON is expected home from the Hills in about three weeks. He will return after arranging some business matters.

—THE Beloit Sunday School Concert that was announced for last Sunday evening, was, on account of the inclemency of the weather, postponed until Sunday evening, the 13th inst.

—THE Svenson matter has been settled; the county paying $50, and the Svenson securing the balance by mortgage, to the Physicians who performed the amputation.

—MATT NORRIS writes us to send his paper to Camp Crook, Black Hills; although we have mailed them regular to Deadwood, he has not received a copy since he left.

—FRED. WALKUP has 15 acres of sod wheat, or did have until Mr. and Mrs. *Caloptenus Spretus* devoured what was above ground. Fred thinks he will see it "never more, never more."

—RICHARD JOHNSTON has removed his family to Ida, Iowa. We regret that that region affords more attraction than Canton, but railroad towns are certainly the magnets now outside of the Black Hills.

—RICH. JOHNSTON and Tom Hutton demurred slightly at the currency impediment at the bridge at Beloit this morning, pleading that they were going into Iowa, but the Lessee mildly suggested that it was worth twenty cents to go into such a noble State, and the gentlemen yielded.

—THE advance in wheat brings smiles and tears, almost, and the farmer secretly chuckling over the prospect of a prolonged cotillion between Russea and Turkey, changes his time when he sees his own fields beseiged by those infernal animals worse than the bloody Turks.

—Isolation, or distance from the Canton *Times*, does not check the arder of its editor, as its columns bear the impress of Bro. Ingham's *Faber* as fresh and lively as if he was in his sanctum at the Dixon House, with Sheriff Dixon at his elbow chinking in his modest witicisms, between the moments of meditations, for old cheer's sake.

—MRS. EMMA WELLS wishes to let the ladies of Canton, Beloit, and vicinity, know that she has just received the largest and best select stock of Millinary Goods ever brought to the Sioux Valley. Her prices are reasonable. Call and be convinced, at her residence one door north of Benedict's store.

—THE Davis *Budget*, published in Ill., contains a notice in its issue of Saturday the 5th inst, "that a dispatch from Beloit Iowa, had been received, that one of the Carpenters of Iowa, had committed suicide."

This startled our reporter who immediately proceeded to investigate; upon taking an inventory of the family, all responded; no vacancies, no one absent, and none of them had thought of suiciding. John M. devoting himself especially to the cattle business, and Ed. to bridge matters. The latter gentleman delared upon honor that the *Budget* report was certainly erroneous, and if he should suicide, he wouldn't shoot himself anyway, as he never fired but one gun in his life and that kicked him over.

—AS WE were perambulating down Main street yesterday, in search of a local, we found Judge Lashley cobbling up his wagon that had just been slightly demolished by his team taking a fresh start.—They ran about three rods and over reapers and rakes, and against the trees back of Rudolph's hardware store, peeling the bark off the trees as well as the nigh horse's nose, &c. The off horse, being blind, hardly comprehending the situation, freed himself from his mate and the wagon and made his way onward at a lively rate until he came in contact with Johnson's woodpile, knocking over several cords as well as leveling himself, when he rose and walked off as quiet as a lamb.

—THE Commissioners were entertained Tuesday by a lively controversy over a change in School District No. 56. An appeal having been taken to the Board from the County Superintendent. Petitions, remonstrances, counter-petitions, counter-remonstrances, and all sorts of papers and pleadings were presented, which together with the arguments of counsel and the mixed or *thin* condition of the Law,

Sets Arneson to rolling his eyes,
Palmer to scratching his head,
Rolf to talking and smoking,
And Thonstad to looking wise.

Ascension Day.

A RELIGIOUS SERVICE, (Episcopal,) at KELLER'S HALL, on ASCENSION DAY, 10th inst., at 2 o'clock P. M.

Subject, of short meditation, in Luke's Gospel, Chap. 24, v. 51.

☞ All who revere the Saviour, cordially invited to attend.

Letter from the Black Hills.

Judge Gifford received a letter from Geo. Johnston, from which we give below, some portions:

DEADWOOD, D T.,
April 30th, 1877.

DEAR JUDGE:

We reached this place the 27th, feeling as well as could be expected after hoofing it from Pierre. I am not prepared to give an opinion of the Hills yet, *but could not conscientiously advise anyone to come to the Hills unless they have plenty of stamps* and can spare the time just as well as not, then I would think it would pay them to come—not with the expectation of making *money*, but to see the sights. There is some of the grandest scenery here I ever saw, but I did not come hear sight seeing but golding hunting, but I fear the realization will be the opposite of the object; that is, gold that I came to get, I will not get; sights that I did not come to see, I will see. To talk sense, I do not believe there will be as much gold taken out of the Hills as will be spent by people coming here. *There are thousands of people in the Hills dead-broke, and nothing to do; there is not employment for one fourth of the people that are already here, nor will not be this summer*, yet every day brings in hundreds of new "tender foots." If it were not for immigration the Hills would be dead. I do not believe there has been $5,000 worth of gold taken out of the Hills this spring, and only a few claims are being worked that are paying more than their expenses; of course they have not got fully to work yet, and from present appearances will not before the 1st of July.

About a foot of snow has fallen since we came into the Hills; it commenced snowing about 3 o'clock p. m., the 27th inst., and snowed till about 1 p. m., of the 28th, as hard as I ever saw it snow.

I am writing this letter in the open air, seated on the ground, with a small book that serves as a desk, which fact is sufficient apology for the general style of its contents.

The first man I met that I knew, was Geo. Keller, who has a Ranche within one mile and a half of Deadwood; I left my trunk with him, and am writing this on his Ranche.

It costs something to live here; hash can be gotten all the way from $12 to $20 per week. Flour is worth from $14 to $16 per hundred; bacon, from 25 to 35 cents per pound; sugar, 30 cents; coffee, 60 cents; eggs, 75 cents; butter, 40 cents per pound; hay $200 per ton. Beds, per night, $2, and you can't get a bed without a bed-fellow, and he generally has sore eyes.

Hoping in my next to be able to give facts more interesting,

I remain as ever yours,
GEO. A. JOHNSTON.

Crook City, D. T.

—The Swan Lake *Era*, of the 3d inst., publishes the following:

"Soon as you discover the young 'hoppers are hatching, take your team and plow a furrow around every field and, if the field is large, do the same through once or more times, according to the size. Then shovel the loose dirt from the furrow from six to ten inches deep (the deeper the better). The 'hoppers, when small, will hop into these ditches by the million, and die. To enable them to do so more rapidly, take a piece of common cotton cloth, from sixteen to twenty feet in length; fasten one end to a light pole or rope and weight the other with pieces of lead. Then let two men or boys take each an end of this and drive the 'hoppers into the ditch by walking, with the cloth between them, slowly towards the ditch, and shaking the cloth lightly so as to keep the 'hoppers hopping into the ditch. This should be done when the 'hoppers are very small, then they cannot get out of the ditch, and will die.—*Lawrence Tribune.*

—Gentlemen in the city yesterday from down along the line of the Sioux City & Pacific report that the farmers are putting forth united effort for the destuction of the pigmy grasshoppers hatched out in their vicinity. Numbers of them have dug ditches on the north side of their fields, and these are filled in the evening with straw into which the pests gather for shelter. In the morning, before the young insects are out of bed, a fire is started in the ditch and what the highflying newspaper reporter calls a "holocaust" isues. The average pisplay at the morgue is five bushels of grasshoppers to forty rods of ditch. The farmers have largely exceeded their usual plant this season, prospects not intimidating them in the least. But then the yeomanry of the Misouri valley immediately below us have never been so badly injured as have those of some other sections, and they ordinarily feel tolerably secure.—*Sioux City Journal.*

—As Edward Pierrepont, son of the American Minister to London, was returning home from church at Nottingham, on Sunday, in company with the Rector and two other students, some roughs who were foot-racing ran against the Rector knocking him down; Pierrepont went to his aid and knocked two of the roughs down, when one of them threw a stone at him hitting him on the thigh hurting him severely. The minister and his son stood by and would not assist him because it was Sunday. The roughs were each fined two guineas.

—Saturday next, the 12th inst., was the day designated by the convention in Turner county, for the firing of the prairies.

ODDS AND ENDS.

—Gen. Grant was the guest of Thos. Nast, the celebrated Artist, the 2d inst.

—General Crook has gone east to consult with Sherman.

—Sitting Bull is on Dry Creek, north of the Yellowstone.

—Gov. Garber of Nebraska, is visiting Hot Springs for medical treatment.

—The District Court for Minnehaha county, convenes the 15th.

—New South Wales is also afflicted with the grasshopper scourge.

—The *Press* thinks "a good many Russians will reach Dakota this year and come in out of the draft."

—A portion of the roof to the New York Postoffice fell in, killing two men and injuring several others.

—The opinion of Gen. B. F. Butler, is, that a general European war will do us no good.

—Ex-Gov. Washburn, of Wisconsin, made $250,000 by the rise of flour since the news of the war.

—Robert G. Blaine, a brother to the Senator, has been appointed Sergeant-at-arms, of the Senate.

—Chas. Collins has secured from the wreck of the Carroll, four boxes of type, safe, and imposing stone.

—Nails worn long, trimmed in scallops, and tinted flesh collor, are the latest odities among the ladies.

—The statue of Fitz Greene Halleck, in Central Park, New York, will be unveiled May 15th, by President Hayes.

—A grey eagle was captured at Decatur, Ill. last week, which measured seven feet from tip to tip.

—An American correspondent of the London *News* writes that 2,000,000 persons in the United States, are unemployed.

—Cheyenne, W. T., must be rather lively; only four men were shot there last week, and liable to double the number the present week.

—Snow fell on Friday, the 27th of April, at Northwood, Iowa, to the depth of five feet where drifted. The storm lasted two days.

—Geo. Q. Cannon, delegate to Congress, from Utah, is to have his citizenship contested, he having been charged with being possessed of forged naturalization papers.

—The prospect for crops in the vicinity of Lemars, are said to be more favorable than ever; grasshoppers having failed thus far to put in an appearance.

—American Bible Society receipts for the year ending March 31st, were $543,679; and those of the Tract Society for same period were $479,000.

—Another attempt is being made to return David Dudley Field to Congress, by having Nicholas Miller resign in time for Field to run in November for election.

—A looker-on, while prodding around in the ashes with his cane, at the removal of the debris of the Southern Hotel uncovered a diamond worth $300.

—Senator Morton is expected to take the lecture field, after the extra session of Congress. His subject will be "The dangers of our present system of electing Presidents."

—The Omaha *Bee* savagely says: "People who get job printing done at other offices, and then come to the *Bee* for free notices, will get left out on that little game."

—The Republicans of Iowa have called their State committees for the nomination of State officers, at Des Moines, for June 27th. Lyon county, which polled 264 votes, will be entitled to two delegates.

—Railroad building is apparently to be revived in different localities this summer. The Brainard branch of the Northern Pacific is to be built at an expense of about $400,000.

—The Covington, Columbus and Black Hills Railroad will be built to the Keya Paha by July 1st, and when they reach the west line of Knox county, will establish a stage line to the Hills.

—The annual taxes of New York City are $30,000,000 upon an assessed valuation of $900,000,000. The tax laws have been changed but little for fifty years, but people are clamoring for a change.

—In Willmar, Alexandria and Mankato counties, Minn., the red parasites are destroying the eggs of hoppers, and farmers in that vicinity are having remarkable faith in a good harvest.

—The largest quarterly dividend ever known to have been drawn by one family, was that of $1,000,000 paid the Vanderbilt brothers, April 16th, being 2 per cent. on New York Central stock, which capital is $90,000,000.

—A new style carpet or floor covering is in market, called *Linoleum*, claimed to be warm, non-absorbent and indestructible, composed of cork and oil pressed upon heavy canvas, and brought out in a variety of attractive designs.

—The New York Court of Appeals has decided that under the law in that State, "all liquor selling is unlawful, except by tavern-keepers, and that a tavern-keeper must have four beds for guests, and four stalls for horses."

—Burglars and pickpockets are numerous, and are committing their depredations in different locations. Sioux City has been troubled with a gang of thieves who were driven out from Omaha. Yankton also has its visitations from burglars, and some robberies have been committed, of considerable amount in several localities.

—The President has issued a proclamation conveneing Congress October 15th next. The occasion is that Congress failed to make the usual army appropriations.

—A Black Hills correspondent under date of April 30th, says that snow has fallen daily during the past two weeks. The nights are cold, days warm, and the gulches overflowed with water, suspending Placer mining.

—The Postoffice Department has finally advertised for bids for carrying the mail from Ft. Pierre to Deadwood City, twice a week each way. Also for route between Sioux Falls *via* Wessington and Rockport to Crow Creek, 155 miles, once a week.

—Sioux City *Journal* gives the opinion of E. A. Booth, who thinks *now* is the time to burn the prairies, as it will destroy the hoppers that are hatched as well as the egg deposits which would be roasted.

—The Mexican government having imprisoned the American Consul at Acapulco, and although released, Secretary of State "has demanded an apology and full reparation for the outrage," through our Minister at Mexico.

—Charley Thompson, the man who was arrested for stealing Carpenter & Kelley's horses, at St. Joseph, Mich, was bound over to the Circuit Court. He is very sharp about answering questions and refuses to tell where he resides.

—Two thousand workmen are employed in the constructing of the Paris building for the World's Fair, to be held in 1878. When completed, its Rotunda will be of that highth that a view of entire Paris will be had together with miles of the windings of the river Seine.

—The residence of John P. Manny, the great reaper man, at Rockford, Ill., was broken into, a few evenings since, by two ruffains, one of whom held a pistol over Mr. Manny's head, while the other stole his watch and chain and other jewelry and some loose cash. The burglars have not been captured.

—Mississippi is once more on the rampage. John W. Gull was wayalid and massacred; several persons were arrested as being implicated, when a large number of men fired upon the prisoners, killing four and mortally wounding the fifth one. They were all white Republicans except one.

—Cuthbert Ducharme, familiarly known as "Papinau," on the Missouri river, has been sentenced to the penitentiary at Ft. Madison, Iowa, for 8 years for an assualt with intent to kill Henry Bradley, at Yankton. Also Conrad from the Black Hills, was sentenced for 5 years, for an assault with intent to kill a person last fall at Deadwood.

—A correspondent in the *Inter-Ocean*, says that an ingenious contrivance has been invented by a Dr. Payne, of Dwight, Ill., to enable people to escape from the windows in the high stories of hotels while on fire. The Doctor is having several constructed for trial purposes and expects soon to demonstrate to the citizens of Chicago its practical utility.

—A girl 8 years old, daughter of Mr. Alspaugh, of Parkerstown, Ohio, was literally roasted alive when burning brush in a clearing on her father's farm, the other day. Her dress caught fire from the burning brush, and the flames completely enveloped her body. The child ran into the house and fell insensible from the flames. She still lives, suffering excruciating agonies.

—Parson Brownlow is dead. The fighting Parson, who bearded the Rebel Lion in his den and dared him to pull down the stars and stripes, has gone for his reward. Originally a pro-slavery Whig, and latterly a Republican and Union man; his last public life was that of United States Senator from his adopted State—Tennessee. His rough exterior surrounded a warm heart and his enemies respected his christian principles.

—The *Journal* gives an amusing account of the departure of two young bloods, from Sioux City. Fred. Evans, Jr. and Jim. Booge, Jr., who, in the absence of their fathers, took ponies, guns, blankets, and a little change and took the road up the Floyd. Search was made but they could not be found. A dispatch was received from LeMars that they passed through that town about 11 o'clock Friday morning.

—The *Independent* notes the burning of a stable and a Marsh Harvester, belonging to John Fortune, who resides about six miles from Sioux Falls. The result of the prairie fire, loss $400. Also it chronicles a festive occurrence between a couple of Black Hillers, who being loaded with tangle-foot, became "uprorious.—One of them fell into the river, and while the other was trying to pull him out, he (the one in the river) shot twice at his rescuer. No damages exept a riddled boot and a couple of well ducked men."

—Wenzl Horak, a Bohemian, attempted to hang himself at Yankton, Thursday morning, in the barn of a saloon keeper. Mrs. Forester finding him there, gave the alarm and he was cut down before life was extinct. Dr. Vanderhule was called and succeeded in restoring him. The *Press* says, "he is a nephew of Robert Schnoick. His father was wealthy but marrying against his parent's wishes, he was compelled to leave home for a strange land; is well educated, 28 years of age, and a telegraph operator, and supposed to be temporarily deranged."

—The heirs of Col. Henry Becker, formerly of Philadelphia, have instituted a suit in Pennsylvania Courts, for the recovery of $15,000,000 worth of property, some of which is in Philadelphia, comprising three churches, a dozen large manufacturies, and five blocks of dwellings.

—Indiana was visited by a tornado or cyclone last week, tearing up orchards, blowing down buildings, fences, and creating havoc generally. A horse was lifted from the ground and carried 150 yards and dropped dead. Water was drawn up from Town Lake and scattered on the shores. $50,000 will not cover the loss. This is the fifth storm of the kind that has been had in that vicinity.

—Indians are surrendering rapidly. The Realdead party are camped within 20 miles from Camp Robinson; 40 lodges have gone into the cantonment on the Yellow Stone to surrender to Gen. Miles. Sitting Bull is supposed to be south of Yellow Stone with 500 warriors, after which 1,100 cavalrymen have gone from Ft. Lincoln.

—Dr. Burleigh says he is thoroughly convinced that the Carroll was set on fire. Her fires had been down three hours before the alarm was given, and not very long before the flames broke out, there was one of the crew in the hold, so that the theory that the fire was caused from the furnace as heretofore stated does not account for the facts in the case.—*S. C. Journal.*

—J. T. Sutherland, a Unitarian clergyman, in a long communication to the *Alliance* and published in the *Inter Ocean*, denounces Mr. Moody somewhat severely, although admitting that he has done some good, he says he "mixes intellectual and moral poison with good," and that "Mr. Moody's whole theory and process of saving men is essentially religious quackery."

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That by virtue of the decretal order of the Probate Court of Minnehaha County, in Dakota Territory, dated March 24th, 1877, the undersigned guardian of Robert Brooks, will sell at public sale, to the highest bidder for one-third cash and balance on one and two years time, in equal payments, at 12 per cent. interest, secured by mortgage on the premises, the following described land belonging to her said ward to-wit: The S ½, SW ¼, Section 13 and the N ½ of NW ¼, of Section 24, in Township 100 of Range 50; said sale to take place on the 5th day of June, A. D., 1877, at one o'clock p. m., of said day, on the said premises.

May 9th, 1877. (1-3t)
ELLEN HOWIE, Guardian of Robert Brooks.

Notice.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, SIOUX FALLS, D. T., May 1st, 1877.

Complaint having been entered at this Office by Walter C. Hinkley against George M. Elkenbary, for abandoning his Homestead Entry, No. 6279, dated March 25th, 1875, upon the Southwest quarter, Section 33, Township 97, Range 51, in Lincoln County, Dak. Ty., with a view to the cancellation of said entry: the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this Office on the 7th day of June, 1877, at 2 o'clock p. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment.

(50-w-4.) B. F. CAMPBELL, Register. J. M. WASHBURN, Receiver.

Mortgage Sale.

WHEREAS, J. L. Johnson, of the county of Lincoln, Territory of Dakota, did, on the 26th day of August, 1875, make, execute and deliver to L. Dutton, of the county of Olmstead, State of Minnesota, a certain indenture of Mortgage upon the following described premises, situated in the county of Lincoln, Territory of Dakota, to-wit:

Beginning at the corner of blocks thirty-eight, thirty-nine, forty-four, and forty-five, of Hill's addition to the village of Canton, and running thence east twenty rods, thence south thirty two degrees east, to the bank of the Big Sioux River, thence down stream along the bank of said Big Sioux river to a point directly south of the corner of blocks thirty-eight, thirty-nine, forty-four, and forty-five, and thence north to the place of beginning and containing thirteen and one-fourth acres, more or less, and bearing date on the said 26th day of August, 1875, to secure the payment of One Hundred One and Seventy-four one hundredths Dollars, on the 1st day of November, 1876, with interest thereon at the rate of ten per cent. until paid, which said Mortgage was duly acknowledged and filed for record in the office of the Register of Deeds, of the county of Lincoln, aforesaid, on the 26th day of August, 1875, at 1 o'clock p. m., and duly recorded in Book "B" of Mortgages, on pages 582, 283, and 584.

Whereas, said Mortgagors did covenant and agree in said Mortgage, in case of foreclosure thereof, to pay said Mortgagee, his heirs or assigns, the sum of Twenty-five Dollars Attorney's fees. And

Whereas, default has been made in the payment of the money secured thereby, and there is claimed to be due thereon at the date of this notice, the sum of One Hundred Twenty and Ninety-one One hundredths Dollars principal and interest, and said Twenty-five Dollars Attorney's fees, and no suit or proceedings have been instituted at law to recover the debt secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof. Therefore,

Notice is hereby given, that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage, and in pursuance of the statute in such cases made and provided, the said Mortgage will be foreclosed by the sale of said premises therein described, or so much thereof as shall be necessary to satisfy the amount due on said Mortgage at the date thereof, with interest and costs and expenses allowed by law, at public vendue, at the Front Door of Court House, in the village of Canton, Lincoln county, Dakota Territory, on the 26th day of May, 1877, at two o'clock in the afternoon.

Dated, April 26, 1877.

L. DUTTON, Mortgagee.
BAILEY & GIFFORD, Att'ys for Mortgagee. 48-w-6

Mortgage Sale.

WHEREAS, O. B. JONES, of the county of Lincoln, Territory of Dakota, did, on the 13th day of March, 1874, made, execute and deliver to the Harris Manufacturing Company, of the city of Janesville, county of Rock, state of Wisconsin, a certain Indenture of Mortgage upon the following described premises, situated in Lincoln county, Dakota Territory, to-wit: The East ½ of the Northeast ¼, of Section Twelve, of Township Ninety-eight, of Range Forty-nine; and bearing date said 13th day of March, 1874, to secure the payment of the sum of One Hundred and Ninety-three and Thirty One Hundredths Dollars, ($193.31) on the first day of December, 1874, with interest at ten per cent., until paid, which said Mortgage was duly acknowledged and filed for record in the office of the Register of Deeds, of the county of Lincoln, aforesaid, on the 13th day of March, 1874, at 4 o'clock, p. m., and duly recorded in Book "B" on pages 211 and 212.

Whereas, said Mortgagor did covenant and agree in said Mortgage, in case of foreclosure thereof, to pay said Mortgagees, their heirs or assigns the sum of Twenty-five Dollars attorney's fees; and

Whereas, default has been made in the conditions of said Mortgage, in the payment of the money secured the reby, and there is claimed to be due thereon at the date of this notice, the sum of Two Hundred Fifty-two and Ten One Hundredths Dollars, ($252.10,) principal and interest, and said Twenty-five Dollars attorney's fees, and no suit or proceedings have been instituted at law to recover the debt secured by said Mortgage or any part thereof. Therefore,

Notice is hereby given, that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage, and in pursuance of the statute in such cases made and provided, the said Mortgage will be foreclosed by the sale of said premises therein described, or so much thereof as shall be necessary to satisfy the amount due on said Mortgage at the date thereof, with interest and costs and expenses allowed by law, at public vendue, at the Front Door of Court House, in the village of Canton, Lincoln county, Dakota Territory, on the 26th day of May, 1877, at two o'clock in the afternoon.

Dated, April 26, 1877.

HARRIS MANUFACTURING CO., Mortgagees.
BAILEY & GIFFORD, Att'ys for Mortgagees. (46-6)