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Sioux City & Pembina Road.

After a long silence, and waiting for some sign or indication that the people of Sioux City had not forgotten the region that seeks its outlet through their growing town, we are gratified that the Journal has found time to speak a word in favor of the Pembina route.

The Journal of the 14th inst. very appropriately calls the attention of its patrons to the importance of securing the trade of the Sioux Valley and of continuing or extending the road from Portlandville up to this point.

The editor gives facts as to distances, and as it suggests, a portion of this fall's traffic would doubtless be secured should the road reach Calliope in season, but the completion to that point would by no means draw one half the business of Lincoln county or any of Turner or Minnehaha counties, but if extended to Canton or Beloit, the large amount that is now directed to Vermillion and LuVerne would be changed to this route.

It is useless to deny the fact, humiliating though it is, we are too poor to give any aid, at present, to any road, from whatever direction it should come.

The increased amount of freight that would be furnished the road and the travel which now all goes either to LuVerne or LeMars, and as the freighters to LeMars of our products, want loads back, our merchants are almost forced to deal with Dubuque or Chicago jobbers, when if the railroad was at our own doors the grain would be bought here and the merchants would be of course, if Sioux City could give them as good inducements to buy as those of Chicago or Dubuque, purchase of the Sioux City merchants.

It has seemed to most foreign us, this long and tedious stretch of 50 miles to LeMars, and in the winter or fall when we are liable to have the severe storms that are characteristic of this latitude, it is a road that is dreaded by the traveler, and that point is one we have paid tribute to through force of circumstance.

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Local Items.

J. S. BENEDICT has gone to Lemars. -New wheat begins to arrive, and the best business air of old times is revived.

WHAT shall we do for a school room this winter in Canton?

MERCHANTS are looking smiling now that trade prospects are brightening.

It is reported that Hedges, of Sioux City, was murdered at Beule Agency.

FARMERS do not fail to be at the Court House, Saturday, the 18th, at noon, to arrange for the Harvest Festival.

We do not know of a field of grain unharvested in Lincoln county, and stacking is nearly all done.

J. S. BENEDICT wants to purchase 25,000 bushels of wheat, and will pay the highest market price for the same.

Two droves of horses are in town and for sale. One lot last Martin's, and one last Sheriff Dixon's.

H. F. BENEDICT marketed some wheat Monday that tested 82 pounds to the bushel, by weight.

REMEMBER that Rudolph is selling "John Deere" plows at greatly reduced prices.

STREETS are dull, merchants and their clerks are not hurried but it is only the calm before the rush that will surely come when harvest is over.

GETTING begin to arrive, looking after lands, and some who left last fall and winter in disgust, are returning like the prodigal son.

FINE CANTON-OUT for Threshing Machines or other machines. This is by far the best of all threshers can use. Call and get it at J. S. BENEDICT'S.

The Harlan House was well patronized by Commercial Agents last week, which fact together with a general increase of travel, is encouraging to the proprietor.

The Sioux Falls Independent has heard that a man by the name of Crane, was shot by a young man during a quarrel that occurred some where in this county. We have not learned of any such occurrence; it must be a mistake.

FRANK J. MURRAY is to be associated with Mr. Taylor in the publication of the paper at Beloit; from the reputation of these gentlemen as writers, we look for an excellent publication.

FRED KEEP, the popular Clerk of Lyon county, was in town Monday. Like a sensible man he is out of the race for legislative honors this fall, and prefers the quiet of his official life at Rock Rapids.

The funeral of Mrs. Horn was held at the church Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Horn has the sympathy of the entire community in his affliction, who sincerely hope that he will be soon restored to health.

MR. TAYLOR, the purchaser of the Canton Times, has concluded to locate in Beloit, upon which fact we can congratulate the citizens, upon the prospect of being supplied with a paper which they have felt the want of since Mr. Ingman ceased publishing the Times.

It seems like living once more, when vegetables that we have been so long without are promised so plentifully. We have been favored with some unusually large potatoes for this time of the year, by the courtesy of J. B. Gray, and green corn at the hands of Mrs. Moulton.

I. L. MOORE is once more in Canton, looking after his property interests here. He is half inclined to try his old business here, and let the builders of Colorado remain unseparated by himself. He would be welcomed back as one of our reliable business men.

MR. HUGH FERROUS, of Plano, Ill., is on a visit to his father-in-law, Sheriff Dixon. This gentleman is connected with the Marsh Harvester manufacturing company, and says that preparations are being made for the manufacture of an increased number of Harvesters and binders for the next season.

ONE of the gentlemen who is dealing in horses at Martin's was proffered \$200 in gold towards the payment of a span. His suspicions were aroused at such an occurrence in this far off land, and it being foreign or Australian gold, he had Syverud, the jeweler, cut one of the pieces in two, to satisfy himself that it was genuine. He will hesitate no more, so don't keep back farmers for fear your gold will be questioned.

WE had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Giles of Freeport, Ill., who has made an investment in landed property in Lincoln Co. He has been an editor for many years, and is thoroughly conversant with western matters, but different than most of our poor fellows of the persuasion, as he evidently is favored with a competency, as the result of a long life work. His good opinion of this country has been confirmed by personal observation, and he informed us that it is now his intention to invest further in improvements this season.

MR. SPENCER, of Fairview, set a header at work the other morning in one of his home fields cutting wheat. The header-box was driven to his water power thrasher, and the wheat was elevated from that to his mill, and at tea that evening warm biscuits were served upon his table, made from wheat that was growing in the morning upon the hill-side at Fairview. -So says Sheriff Dixon; but... we have not seen any of the flour, or tested any of the biscuit or... well... There, we have told it just as the Sheriff has.

Chicago Prices Paid for Wheat.

J. S. BENEDICT has storage room for 30,000 bushels of wheat, and while he believes the early sale will be the most profitable to the farmers, to those who desire to hold their wheat he offers to buy on account or in trade, and give Chicago prices at any day that may be agreed upon at the time of storage, less cost of transportation, storage, wastage, and shrinkage, or he will buy it and give them the rise in the market, if there is any at the time of settlement. This is a very liberal offer, as those who choose to avail themselves of it can realize all the advantages derived from selling at the railroad without the trouble and time expended going there.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

SOMETHING NEW.

In order to introduce our Big Seed Fall Wheat, the Wheat of Texas, in your local length-I propose to send a sample of wheat, free of charge, to every subscriber to this paper who will name this paper and send a 3 cent stamp to pay postage. Agents wanted in every county to sell this new wheat.

Address without delay.

L. D. OSMENT, Cleveland, Tenn.

Festival.

We trust that the citizens of Lincoln county will not let our sister county, Minnehaha, through the public spirit of its worthy citizens outdo us in the matter of a Harvest Festival.

It is true that Sioux Falls offers abundant temptation through its natural beauties, a general response to their gathering of all who feel like rejoicing at the noble harvest Dakota has just gathered. But our own interests should prompt us to gather within the borders of our county.

Not only could a good time be had, but if properly arranged and conducted, it would prove advantageous to the people in more than one way.

A respite of one, two, or three days from hard labor that the industrious farmer has undergone during the summer months, would be a great pleasure as well as beneficial to the health; and as we have no County fair nor general or organized medium through which the attractions and rich products of Lincoln county can be advertised, a gathering of this kind of its citizens would be beyond doubt, be the means of forming some plan that in time could be started into a County society, agricultural in its nature, that would prove beneficial to the farmers pecuniarily and otherwise.

As we stated in the last article suggesting this meeting, let the farmers, as they are the producers, meet on Saturday next, at the Court House at 12 o'clock noon, talk over the matter, count its cost, if any, arrange the programme, designate the time, select the place, and in short interest themselves as they can if they choose, and if we are on the ragged edge, or frontier of civilization, and isolated from Railroads and the attendant associations, we can show people that we have got the element both in people and in lands, that will so place us in no inferior line with flourishing sister counties.

We would bring our portion of this Valley into the repute it merits, then get together, tell what your crops are, their yield, your improvements, your stock, give and get the experience of each other, learn and impart so that each other can get the benefit of another's experience; get acquainted; shake hands over past seasonal quarrels and be sociable generally and any way. The prosperity of one should be that of all; the world is wide and made for us all and not for one alone. Turn out farmers and don't stand scowling or making faces at that other fellow, because he hasn't done according to your liking; we all make mistakes and a unity of purpose is the happiest and surest way of reconciling. And as we have no bureau to herald the attractions of Lincoln county, let the farmers themselves give the record.

Died.

HOAR.-In Canton, D. T., on Monday evening, August 13th, after a brief illness, Mrs. Mary L. Hoar, aged 34 years and 2 months.

Death at all times is sad, but this bereavement seems doubly affecting in that during the sickness of the deceased, the husband could give no personal attention to the last wants of his beloved wife, as he was upon a sick bed racked with pain and fever.

One week ago Jessie, their daughter, at the close of school, sang a beautiful piece, in which were the words,

"My mother is dying."

How little did Jessie think that she was foretelling in the sweet voice of song the sad reality that would within one short week bring anguish to her heart, and that of her bereaved father.

Religious Directory.

Mission Service at Beloit next Sunday morning, (19th inst.) at half past 10.

At Calvary church, Sioux Falls, in the evening of same day, at 8 o'clock.

Rev. W. P. HUNTINGTON, M. D., Missionary in Charge.

SIoux FALLS proposes to have a general Festival for the citizens of all counties that will attend and unite with them. There certainly could not be a more pleasant place for a festival than there; and if our people do not conclude to have one, may will go to the Falls should its people ultimately arrange for one.

It is gratifying to learn that so many who were on the point of surrendering this country to the "hoppers, and such persons as were disposed to remain, are now denouncing others who did leave, for not returning. Have patience, men, there is far worse country than Lincoln county.

John Deere Plows.

O. A. Rudolph has a stock of John Deere Plows for sale, at unusually low prices. Give him a call.

Estray Notice.

Strayed from the premises of Johnson Harris, on or about July 23d, 1877, four calves, described as follows:

Three heifer calves, 2 dark red, the other red, white spot in forehead and on its back, new tail; and one steer calf, pale red, with brownish head.

Any information as to where they now are, will be thankfully received, and the person suitably rewarded.

Please Address Mrs. JOHNSON HARRIS, Harrisburg, D. T.

Plows! Plows!

"John Deere" plows, the best in the market, for sale cheap as dirt, at the Hardware store of O. A. Rudolph.

Railroad.

Sioux Falls people are getting anxious about the extension of the LuVerne railroad to that point, and Mr. Bishop, the General Manager, has written to Mr. Pettigrew relative to the matter, but a close perusal of the communication affords cold if any comfort. Our inference at least is, that they may build or not, as they choose, but at all events aid must be first given, before it will be extended.

And in view of the uncertainty, the Independent calls the attention of the people to the Southern Minnesota road, as follows:

"J. C. Easton, of Chaffee, Minn., and a party of gentlemen, all interested in the Southern Minnesota Railroad, are expected to arrive in town next week. As the above mentioned road has a land grant which reaches to the Territorial line a little north of Dell Rapids, the movements of this company are of great interest to the people of this section."

And owing to the fact that the managers of the "route" from Worthington do not seem to be disposed to extend their line any further than La Verne, would it not be well to offer such encouragement as we are able to give to the Minnesota Southern? The St. Paul men appear to think that they have a monopoly of the whole trade of this section, and in our opinion they will not extend their line any further under any circumstances; the multiplicity of excuses would indicate that they do not intend to build—first they couldn't because of grasshoppers; the fact that the grasshopper did no damage caused the managers to state that granger legislation was the cause of all their troubles, and finally, the recent strikes in the east knocked all railroad enterprises in the head. Taking the circumstances altogether, the main difficulty of the St. Paul men, is in finding excuses for not building; when they do intend to build at all. The Southern Minnesota is emerging from its financial troubles, and no doubt with proper encouragement, the company could be induced to extend their line, which would give this country a through trunk line, an improvement of far greater value than a mere branch of the St. Paul road."

We would like to see the move, as we would be in some measure benefited by the completion of a railroad to the Falls, in that it would give us a nearer market for our grain; and under no circumstance can we conceive that the prosperity of Sioux Falls would be detrimental to us.

Can Lincoln county people do anything towards securing the extension of the railroad? If they can, it ought to be done immediately. Whatever scrapes one may have towards aiding enterprises of this kind, they should not be blind to the fact that the history of all modern roads is, that subsidies in some shape were obtained before they would construct.

Bud! few places are so fortunate as to be geographically in the way of a road and thus be enabled to secure its benefits without contributing towards its construction. It may be that should Canton ever have a road, that she will get it without effort; but it is safe to consider it more possible than probable.

Is wealth accumulated without effort? Does prosperity attend communities or individuals without some action on the part of the recipient?

The advantages of railroad to our citizens cannot be denied; and the absence of one is severely felt by every farmer and business man in the community. Mr. Haraldson, one of our live merchants, expressed the true spirit to us in conversation the other day: "Give us a railroad. I don't care whether it is at Beloit or Canton; we need a railroad bud." That is correct view of this matter in considering the benefit to the community. Sectional feeling should be discarded, and what would benefit the country at large, should be considered. Enhance the prosperity of the farmers throughout Lincoln county, and Canton will be equally benefited.

If every person would give in proportion that they would be benefited, it would, we believe, secure us the extension of the Pembina road within six months.

Farmers Look Here!

J. S. Benedict will receive in about ten days, a large assortment of the best Plows ever brought to this market. They will be sold for cash or ready pay cheaper than was ever known in Lincoln county.

Ft. Pierre Route.

Gov. Pennington talks plain English to the Asst. Postmaster General about the Ft. Pierre mail route to the Hills, and fires some solid facts that the Department will have to draw on its reserve force of special Agents to refute the false and almost malicious representations, about time and distance upon the above route. It does seem as if the Government itself was prejudiced against its own Territory of Dakota. At least it is so far have succeeded admirably in undoing what those having the welfare of Dakota in view, have, after strenuous exertions accomplished. The most charitable view we can give the matter is that the authorities have been misled by their own Agents who through some agency see no route or commendable features only through the optics furnished by the U. P. Railroad and Cheyenne and Sidney dignitaries. How long will you long will those abuse our patience, Catalina?

"The people of the United States must learn as other nations have learned that tampering with loose rhetoric and dressed to the passions of the ignorant and the needy is so full of peril for society that it ought to be most strongly reprobated, and that a weakly sentimental sympathy with violence in anything less than a public crime is a violation of the property."

Wisconsin has put in nomination a full temperance State ticket.

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ODDS AND ENDS. Wade Hampton is to speak at the county fair at Rockford, Ill.

Mr. Washburn, ex-Minister to France, will return to Chicago, Sept. 1st.

Working-men's parties are being organized in Pennsylvania and New York.

The American association of Dentists is holding a convention at the Grand Pacific, in Chicago.

Exchanges tell us that in most instances where grain has been threshed, that the yield is far beyond expectation.

Fifteen thousand colored voters in Ohio will support Judge West, the Republican candidate for Governor.

Pennsylvania also is to have a prohibition convention, which is called for Sept. 12.

The Greenbackers of New York hold their State convention at Rochester, Aug. 23d.

The conservatives at Richmond, Va., nominated F. W. W. Holliday for Governor.

A secret convention of labor delegates was held in Philadelphia last Saturday.

Frank Gilbert has entered upon the duties of his office as sub-Treasurer at Chicago.

Belfast is also the scene of rioting; military were called out to suppress the disturbance.

A 100 barrel oil well of unusually fine quality was struck at Fisher's farm, Smith's ferry, Ohio on the 8th inst.

A country too much infested with railroads, was the description a young student gave the United States.

The boundary line nearly completed, locates all the principal mines and towns of the Black Hills in Dakota.

The executive committee who were appointed at the last Territorial Fair, are arranging for a Fair to be held at Yankton this fall.

Moody and Sanky are to spend three months each in Washington and Baltimore in revival meetings, to commence in early fall.

A young lady, Miss Mollie Woods, fell from the second story window of a school house in Council Bluffs, on Friday, injuring her seriously.

Spotted Tail's band are finally to be located at the old Ponca Agency instead at the Whetstone where they were formerly and which was very unhealthy.

Two hundred and fifty dollars offered for Indian scalps, by the Black Hills authorities has set hundreds on the watch for Lo's Hor.

The Merchants Bank of New Bedford, Mass., has filed a claim against the estate of E. B. Ward, late of Detroit, amounting to \$300,000.

A little rumpus is occurring in the ranks of the Democracy in Virginia, and "nary" oil to pour upon the troubled waters.

New York has the largest stock of sugar ever held there. One house has 25,000 hogheads, which, if sold at present prices, would sustain a loss of \$900,000.

Fannie Wallace, lately deceased in Pennsylvania, weighed 535 pounds. She was 54 years old, 7 feet 8 inches in height. Her coffin was 7 feet 8 inches in length, 3 feet 6 inches in depth, 4 feet wide at the centre, and 2 feet wide at the foot.

Gov. Connor was re-nominated for Governor by the Republicans of Maine. Quite an exciting time occurred upon resolutions offered, one set endorsing the President's southern policy, and the other disapproving it; both were suppressed.

Gen. Grant was serenaded at Lake Maggiore, Italy, and a concert was given him after the serenade. In reply to an address of welcome by an officer who had served under Garibaldi, General said, "There is an Italian whose hand I wish specially to shake, and that man is Garibaldi."

The Indians in every direction seem to be on the war path. On the Staked Plains of Texas, the U. S. soldiers attacked a party of Indians. Twenty-six soldiers and two officers were killed. The soldiers were without water 86 hours, suffering greatly.

The Turkish throne room at Constantinople is gorgeous. A Venetian chandelier hangs from the ceiling with 200 lights. At each of the four corners tall candelabra in Baccarat glass are placed. The throne is a huge seat covered with velvet, and with arms and back of pure gold.

Stephen Girard made one peculiar provision relative to the college that was founded in his name; that was that ministers could not enter the building, but the Christian lay teacher may, and the gospel is preached there. Services of Christian worship are regular and well conducted.

A correspondent from Buchanan says "I have written the following as I received it, and from the terrible accounts which the fugitives continually bring over the Balkans I fear must be only too true. July 31st, the day of the Russian execution of Eski Sagire, the Turke ordered that all Christians men, women and children should be shot as they left their houses. Those who remained with the Turks burnt alive. The order was given to burn down and destroy every village of Christian property."