

THE YELLOWSTONE VALLEY.

A Graphic Description of the Country from Glendive to Buford.

Editors Tribune.

CHAIN'S RANCHE, Montana, June 1, 1881. For the benefit of eastern readers of the TRIBUNE, I will give you some description of the Yellowstone valley, from Glendive down to Buford. As I seldom see anything in the papers about this part of the country, I have often heard it remarked, "the Yellowstone for horse thieves." Well, now, I have been in the western country since 1849, I went to California and have traveled a great deal since, and have lived in a good many neighborhoods. I never saw a better lot of people for neighbors than there are from Glendive to the mouth of the Yellowstone river, and in all my travels I never saw a better valley than it is from the mouth of this river up for thirty or forty miles, and a better producing soil than my ranche. The ranchmen, woodmen and hunters nearly all turned their attention to hunting last winter, and some of them made as high as \$1,000 during the season.

Messrs. Leighton & Jordan helped the men that were hard up, by crediting them with everything they wanted in the way of provisions and ammunition, and they have all paid up, and I don't think there is one that could not get fifty dollars credit and some as high as a thousand if they wanted it. That don't speak bad for the settlers here. The country is settling up fast this spring, with good, substantial settlers. There are now ten families settled near me.

Mr. Barnes came here three years ago and started in with no capital, and has supported a large family. He is now probably worth \$2,000, and would be a great deal better off, but the Indians stole ten or twelve head of his best horses. The military officers wanted to lay it to the white men, but Mr. Barnes followed the tracks until he was sure it was Indians. They were over from Poplar Creek agency, and I suppose they wanted pack animals.

My place is three miles from the mouth of this river, and from here down, the low valley of prairie land outside of the timber, is from two to six miles wide, and some of the way the timber is very nearly two miles wide. Back of this it is rolling prairie and splendid grass for stock. The hills are full of springs. In fact it is the best stock country in the world. If a man wants to see this country, he has to go overland in the summer. The grass in some places is three feet high, blue joint. The reason this is not generally known, is because the travel nearly all goes by river in the summer.

I have been living here four years and have raised a crop every year,—of corn, wheat, oats, vegetables of all kinds, water-melons, cantelopes and tomatoes—as good as I ever ate. I see in eastern papers that it is held we can't raise anything in Montana without irrigation. With us wheat, oats and corn does well without irrigation, but I have a fine irrigating ditch for my vegetables. I have now five different kinds of corn planted and it all looks well. We had some very heavy rains lately.

This country is changing fast. The Bad Lands are rotting and turning to soil. There is a great change in the last fifteen years and even since I have been here. Mr. Cleary was through here seventeen or eighteen years ago and remembers places where there was no grass for the stock at that time, where now there is good meadows of as fine blue-joint grass as one could wish to see. There are five different kinds of grass here, some are green all winter, which is the reason of stock doing so well. It is called winter bunch grass. Stock will fatten on it in the winter, and I have known teams to work all winter here without feed of any kind, only what they could pick on the prairie. Even as bad as last winter was, there were hunters out all winter, with their riding horses and pony teams that done well on grass alone. The past winter was the most severe here that I ever knew, but where the buffalo ranges most, there was not so much snow. The boys all had a good time during the winter killing buffalo, and did well. They all feel happy in the healthiest (we think) country in the world.

I. S. CRAIG,

Dr. Darling's Infatuation. (St. Catharines, Ontario, Journal).

A very romantic affair took place at the Falls of Niagara on Tuesday last. A fine looking man, known as Dr. Harry Darling, of Atlanta, Ga., recently registered at Ross's Hotel, and after remaining a few days, spending his money freely, visited the Table Rock House and museum, where he was equally free in his expenditures. Finally his gaze rested upon one of Mr. Davis' handsome female assistants, Miss Annie Murphy, formerly of St. Catharines. He asked her if she would like to be married and have him for a husband. She said she would, and she did. This was on Monday. Tuesday the pair went across the river and were married, and are now spending the honeymoon and lots of money at the falls.

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LAND NOTICES.

Notice of Final Proof.

LAND OFFICE at Bismarck, D. T., May 30, 1881.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and secure final entry thereof at this office on the 6th day of July, 1881, at 11 o'clock a. m., viz.:

Henry Suttle. H. E. No. 7, made March 1st, 1875, for the south half of the S E 1/4 of sec. 10, Tp 138 n. R. 80 W, and names the following as his witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said tract, viz: T. P. Davis, Robert Macnider, C. W. Freede, and J. H. Marshall, all of Burleigh County. P. O. address, Bismarck. JOHN A. REA, Register.

Notice of Final Proof.

LAND OFFICE at Bismarck, Dak., May 30, 1881.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and secure final entry at this office upon the 7th day of July, 1881, at 11 o'clock a. m., viz.:

Nathan Dankleberg. Declaratory Statement, No. 267, filed Dec. 23d, 1879, and alleging settlement the same date, for the northeast quarter of section 20, Tp. 139 N. Range 80 W, and names the following as his witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said tract: Geo. C. Gibson, John Allen, John Wetzel and Charley Chamberlain. JOHN A. REA, Register.

Notice of Final Proof.

LAND OFFICE at Bismarck, D. T., May 7, 1881.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and secure final entry thereof at this office upon the 21st day of May, 1881, at 11 o'clock a. m., viz.:

Peter M. Eckford. D. S. No. 320, filed June 25, 1880, for the northeast quarter of section 20, township 138 north, range 78 west, to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said tract of land, and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Wm. H. Thurston, Michael O'Shea Wm. Gleason and John A. Stoyell, all of Burleigh county. P. O. Address, Bismarck. JOHN A. REA, Register.

Notice of Final Proof.

LAND OFFICE at Bismarck, D. T., May 26, 1881.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and secure final entry thereof at this office on Saturday, the 2d day of July, 1881, at 10 o'clock a. m., viz.:

Chester A. King. S. U. E. No. 138, made April 1st, 1880, for the N. E. 1/4 of S. E. 1/4 of S. W. 1/4, Sec. 34, Tp. 138 N. R. 80 W, and names the following as his witnesses viz: Frank A. Little, Wm. Nelson, J. P. Manhart, of Clarke Post Office, and John A. McLean Bismarck, D. T. JOHN A. REA, Register.

Notice of Final Proof.

LAND OFFICE at Bismarck, D. T., April 18, 1881.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and secure final entry thereof at this office on Thursday the 10th day of June, 1881, at 2 o'clock p. m., viz.:

Monroe D. Downs. for the N. 1/2 of N. E. 1/4 Sec. 10, Tp. 138, R. 79, D. S. No. 247, dated July 5th, and settled upon June 25th 1879, and names the following as his witnesses to prove his residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Nathaniel G. Skelton, Cyrus Scribner, Jacob A. Fields, and Patrick Byrne, all of Burleigh County, D. T. Postoffice address Bismarck, D. T., and Charles Hurd, who made D. S. No. 165 for the same tract of land, May 31st, 1878, is hereby notified to appear at the place and time above designated and show cause if any he has why said Monroe D. Downs should not be allowed to make final proof and secure entry of said land. JOHN A. REA, Register.

Notice of Final Proof.

LAND OFFICE at Bismarck, D. T., June 9, 1881.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and secure final entry thereof at this office at 11 o'clock a. m., on the 10th day of July, 1881, viz.:

Thomas Welch. S. Homestead No. 171, made June 19, 1880, for the N. E. 1/4 of Sec. 8, Tp. 138 n. Range 78 w, and names the following as his witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said tract, viz: Alfred Cressy, Thomas McDonald, James Malloy and Alex McKeuzie, all of Burleigh County, D. T. Postoffice address Bismarck, D. T. JOHN A. REA, Register.

Notice of Contest.

U. S. LAND OFFICE at Bismarck, D. T., June 6, 1881.

Complaint having been entered at this office by Legris B. Lorey against George P. Sanford for abandoning his Homestead Entry No. 195, dated Sept. 1, 1880, upon the northwest quarter of Section 22, Township 139 n. Range 72 w, in Kidder county, D. T., with a view to the cancellation of said entry, the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 21st day of July, 1881, at 9 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment. JOHN A. REA, Register. EDWARD M. BROWN, Receiver.

Notice of Contest.

U. S. LAND OFFICE, Bismarck, D. T., June 6, 1881.

Complaint having been entered at this office by John R. Hamilton against John M. Guss for abandoning his Tree Culture Entry No. 101, dated May 1, 1879, upon the southeast quarter Section 14, Township 138 n. Range 78 w, in Burleigh County, D. T., with a view to the cancellation of said entry, the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 11th day of July, 1881, at 2 o'clock p. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment. JOHN A. REA, Register. EDWARD M. BROWN, Receiver.

LEGAL.

TERRITORY OF DAKOTA, County of Burleigh, District Court, Third Judicial District

Charlotte E. McNamara vs. Michael McNamara, Summons.

The Territory of Dakota to the above named defendant.

You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in the above entitled action, a copy of which is herewith served upon you, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the undersigned at their office in the city of Bismarck, in the county of Burleigh and territory aforesaid, within Thirty Days after the service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated March 7, A. D. 1881. SWEET & STOVELL, 47-1 Plaintiff's Attorneys, Bismarck, D. T.

City Ordinance.

The City Council of the City of Bismarck do ordain, as follows:

Resolved, That it is necessary that a sidewalk be built along the north side of Main street in front of the following blocks, to wit: Number 40, 42, 44, 46, 48, 50, 52, 54, 56 and 58; also on both sides of 4th and 5th streets, from Main street to Rosser street, that the width of said sidewalks as hereby established as follows: The sidewalks in front of blocks number 46, 48, 50 and 52, shall be twelve feet in width, all others to be of the uniform width of eight feet. The said sidewalks shall be of two-inch plank, laid on 2x4 joist and well spiked to the same said joist to be laid not more than four feet apart.

Provided, however, That all sidewalks now being in front of any lot or any of the streets herein mentioned, shall be subject to inspection by a committee of three, consisting of the City Engineer, Street Commissioner and one Alderman to be appointed by the Mayor and Council, whose duty it shall be to examine any sidewalk upon the application of the owner or occupant of the lot or lots on which the same is fronting, and if in the judgment of the said committee the same shall be found to be good, safe, and sufficient, such sidewalk shall not be disturbed.

Resolved That this resolution be published in the Bismarck Weekly TRIBUNE for four consecutive weeks. B. H. THURSTON, Mayor. Bismarck, E. T., May 11, 1881.

TERRITORY OF DAKOTA, } 3d Judicial District. County of Burleigh, }

L. C. Black, Plaintiff. Isaac Thompson, Defendant. The Territory of Dakota sends greeting to Isaac Thompson, Defendant.

You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint of the Plaintiff in this action, a copy of which will be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the District Court of said County, and serve a copy of your answer upon the subscribers at their office in the City of Bismarck, in said County, within thirty days from the date of this summons upon you exclusive of the day of such service. If you fail to answer the complaint within that time the Plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint besides the costs and disbursements of this action.

Dated Bismarck, D. T., the 8th day of March, 1881. FLANNERY & WITHERBY, Plaintiff's Attorneys, Bismarck, D. T.

I hereby certify that the complaint in the above action was filed in the office of the Clerk of the District Court of said County, on the 21st day of May, 1881. E. N. CONY, Clerk of the District Court.

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