

THE MISSOURI SLOPE.

WHAT AN EASTERN VISITOR THINKS OF THE COUNTRY.

Bismarck, the Great Commercial Center and Future Great Rail and River Emporium—The City's Beauty and Location.

In the Menominee, Wis., Times of recent date appears the following signed "B. M.," dated Bismarck, April 29th.

EDITOR TIMES:—In my last communication to your valuable paper I was left in the land of promise, and promised a description of this country of wonderful resources, the Missouri Slope, a task which I am afraid I am not fitted to perform, but nevertheless will try to do it justice.

The Bismarck land district, of which the Missouri slope occupies the greater share, has an area equal to the state of New York, and which at present is not much settled, but is fast becoming so by a good class of citizens, mostly from the eastern states, who have come here to stay and grow up with the country.

Barleigh county, of which Bismarck is the county seat is a fair sample of the counties in this region and being personally familiar with its main features will give a faint idea to the reader of its soil, climate, resources, etc.

The most of its surface is a slightly undulating table land, and gentle rolling prairie, which becomes somewhat hilly directly bordering the Missouri, its western boundary.

The agricultural lands of this section are of varied and inviting topography, presenting many pleasing landscape views. The surface soil is of varying and sufficient depth and consists of a black calcareous loam, very rich and productive.

Besides the heavy timber belt of the Missouri there are fringes and groves of box-elder, oak, elm and ash on the rivers and numerous streams which course their way through the country, and inexhaustible beds of coal lie near the surface and are inexpensively mined.

Good well water of healthful quality is obtained at an average depth of from thirty to thirty-five feet.

The climate is healthy, and the winters are about the same as in Dunn county. A blizzard, such as they experience in eastern Dakota and western Minnesota, is unknown here.

Many farming tracts of different ownership are under cultivation. Besides these, several large farms comprising more than 1,000 acres each, are established. Among these is the Hayes farm, about five miles north of this city, comprising a large tract of land, and under the ownership of ex-president R. B. Hayes.

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A SPECIAL telegram dated at Pierre Dakota, May 10th, says: "Supt. Ives and Capt. Dows, of the Burlington, Cedar

Rapids & Northern railroad, came with the commission party from Huron here, and will visit Deadwood and Bismarck, with a view to building their road into the territory from Worthington for a share of the Dakota traffic."

CURRENT COMMENT.

A FOOT of snow fell in the Black Hills on the 14th inst.

The eastern division of the North Pacific will reach Helena June 1st.

The only naturalized Chinaman in the territory lives in Rapid City.

COLE, the circus man, has made \$1,000,000 out of his show. "Whoop la!"

A ST. PAUL councilman has been fined \$25 and costs for being drunk and disorderly.

A MICHIGAN woman describes her absconding husband as of a "fried pork complexion."

PRINCE BISMARCK is now attracting nearly as much attention as the city of Bismarck is.

A MALE child, about two months old, was found on Cardinal McClosky's door-step Tuesday morning.

"NEXT to religion there is nothing like a circus," said an Arkansas deacon as he watched his favorite son crowd under a tent.

A FLOURING mill at Shelby, Wis., exploded on the 14th inst. It is dangerous to fool with the staff of life even in the form of flour.

FOR six days go-as-you-please orthographical entitled, Ker, in his star route exhibition, is attributed to the belt and the gate money.

THE funeral of Mrs. Jose Grant, the general's mother, occurred on the 14th inst. at Jersey City. Her remains were taken to Cincinnati for burial.

ELI JOHNSON, a temperance speaker of Brooklyn, has sued Henry A. Higley, a prominent member of Plymouth church, for \$100,000 for alienating his wife's affections. "Git there, Eli!"

THE duke of Edinburgh, has introduced mule riding in England. The doctors probably pay him a fair and honest percentage of their receipts.

VANDERBILT and Gould have retired. One by one we are dropping out of the busy ranks of commerce and trade, and giving way to younger brains.

JOAQUIN MILLER takes time to rise and remark that the daily newspaper is "the six-shooter of civilization." Some of 'em are falling guns, Wauky.

THE Japanese got up 148,591 different kinds of patent medicine last year, and then gave up in despair. They said it was no use to contest the field with America.

AN exchange says: "Pennsylvanians now visiting southern battle fields are warmly welcomed by the southern people." It was just so during the war, wasn't it?

A DABOON died at the Philadelphia Zoological gardens the other day, and the other dunes of that city will wear the customary badge of mourning for thirty days.

IF this should meet the eye of Captain Howgate he is respectfully informed that his presence is very much desired in Washington, where a trial of some sort is to be held.

THERE are 400,000 opium eaters in the United States. THE TRIBUNE does not desire to set the people of the community to suspecting each other, but the truth must be told.

SALMI MORSE is making a great blow about his new play, "Dustle Among Petticoats," just as if it was a remarkable affair. Where else would you have a bustle worn, pray?

A WASHINGTON gentleman, whose curiosity led him to present when Herr Most arrived, says: "It was the most beer, kraut, limburger, brown bread, Dutch mustard, Switzer and schnapps I ever saw."

THE North Pacific has closed a contract with the Knights Templar of Chicago, for through transportation of their delegates to the San Francisco conclave, by way of the Montana route, this summer.

BRADY, the assassin, was hung in Dublin on the 14th inst. Masses were offered in all Catholic churches for the repose of his soul. He made no confession or statement. Ten thousand people were present. There was no disturbance.

A JAMESTOWN man advertises the loss of a dog "with feet and white breast." Any TRIBUNE reader who may see a white-breasted dog running about will confer a favor by examining him, and if he has seen, notifying the Jamestown man.

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A HUNGARIAN Jew sent to a Vienna paper a grain of wheat on which he had written 399 words, taken from Tissot's book on Vienna. The same amount of work would have raised seventeen bushels of potatoes—but potato raising is not a fine art.

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TAOBS's first wife still loves her first divorced spouse, and prays that he may become poor, when his Oshkooh beauty will desert him, and the old man will return to his first love. Keep on praying, sister; but wouldn't a good deal about a pound of lead in the business end call with his attention to his first love quicker than prayer?

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THE MARKETS.

LOCAL RETAIL MARKETS. FLOUR. Best family.....\$3 25@3 00

PRODUCE. Potatoes.....8 1/2c Turnips.....20@25c Onions.....1 1/2c Apples, green, per bbl.....7 1/2c

PROVISIONS. Sirloin and porter-house.....20@25c Rib roasts.....15c Pork chops.....1 1/2c

COFFEES. Mocha (rousted).....4c Java.....2 1/2c Old Gov't Java.....1 1/2c

WHOLESALE. CASE GOODS. Tomatoes, 3-lb. standard.....\$1 35 Corn, 2-lb. standard.....3 00

MEATS. C. S. Bacon.....14c Hams.....14c Breakfast Bacon.....14c

SUGARS. Granulated.....10 1/2c Off A.....10c Yellow C.....9 1/2c

COFFEES. Roast Rio.....14c Roast Java.....20c

LUMBER RETAIL MARKET. Common boards.....26 00@27 00 Common dimension.....26 00@28 00

Architectural. Messrs. Palliser, Palliser & Co., of Bridgeport, Ct., the well known architects and publishers of standard works on architecture, have lately issued a sheet containing plans and specifications of a very tasteful modern eight-room cottage with tower, and also with the necessary modifications for building it without the tower.

Good Words for Washburn. The Fargo Republican thus comments on Washburn, the new town above Bismarck: "The Washburn Times is the name of a new paper just started at Washburn. The first number of which is on our table. It is a very handsome and well edited six-column folio, published by Satterlund & Yeebe, and edited by W. R. Mace."

Public Hall. The upper story of that portion of the First National Bank building to be erected by Wm. A. Holmebaek and J. A. Emmons could with propriety be fitted up for an Opera House where first class entertainments could be given. It would have a seating capacity of about four hundred and would answer every purpose for some years if far enough along to justify such an enterprise and it is to be hoped that public spirit will meet the demand of the public in this matter.

A Strange and Startling Dream!! Is There a Spirit World? A remarkable dream or preter-natural visitation occurred in Louisville, Ky.: Mr. V. E. Merera, a gentleman well and favorably known all over town, on retiring for the night, fell into a deep sleep, and was very restless in feeling unwell, and seemed to himself to be wide awake and in full control of his senses.

Notice of Final Proof. U. S. LAND OFFICE, BISMARCK, D. T. May 15, 1883. 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 thereon at this office before the register and receiver on the 27th day of June, 1883, at 2 o'clock p. m., viz:

Notice of Contest. U. S. LAND OFFICE at Bismarck, D. T. May 15, 1883. Complaint having been entered at this office by Thomas M. Craven against Edward Thompson for abandoning his homestead entry No. 366, dated April 21, 1882, upon the northeast quarter section 2, township 133, range 70, in Burleigh county, Dakota territory, with a view to the cancellation of said entry; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 26th day of June, 1883, at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, being a day of a regular term of this court, to-wit: of the June term, 1883, at my office in the city of Bismarck, county of Burleigh, has been set for hearing said petition when and where any person interested may appear and show cause why the said petition should not be granted.

Probate Notice. TERRITORY OF DAKOTA, County of Burleigh, in Probate Court. In the matter of the estate of Audumane Gillmore. Notice is hereby given that H. V. Wetherby has filed with the judge of this court, a petition praying for letters of administration of the estate of Audumane Gillmore, deceased, and Thursday, the 14th day of June, 1883, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, being a day of a regular term of this court, to-wit: of the June term, 1883, at my office in the city of Bismarck, county of Burleigh, has been set for hearing said petition when and where any person interested may appear and show cause why the said petition should not be granted.

Carpets and Oil Cloths MATTINGS AND CURTAINS!

The best assortment in the city at the lowest prices. Call and see them if you want

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DAN EISENBERG'S

J. C. CADY, -Full Line of- FURNITURE, SEWING MACHINES, WALL PAPER, ETC.

L.S.L. CAPITAL PRIZE \$150,000.

"We do hereby certify that we supervise the arrangements for all the monthly and semi-annual drawings of the Louisiana State Lottery Company, and in person manage and control the drawings themselves, and that the same are conducted with honesty, fairness, and in good faith toward all parties, and we authorize the company to use this certificate, with facsimile of our signatures attached, in its advertisements."

UNPRECEDENTED ATTRACTION OVER HALF A MILLION DISTRIBUTED Louisiana State Lottery Company

Capital Prize \$150,000. Extraordinary Semi-Annual Drawing At New Orleans, Tuesday, June 12, 1883.

Capital Prize \$150,000. Notice—Tickets are Ten Dollars Each. Half, \$5 Five, \$2.50.

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