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1 JAMESTOWN, D. T.

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Will do all kinds of painting in a neat and artistic style at reasonable rates.

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A complete assortment of Groceries, Dry Goods, Hardware, Tinware, etc. I also keep full supply of Flour, Feed, Oats Corn, potatoes, and all kinds of Merchantable produce. In fact, I have everything that is calculated to make the world happy.

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WILLIAM C. WHITE,
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LEGAL BUSINESS AND COLLECTIONS PROMPTLY ATTENDED TO.
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Money Loaned on Good Security.
Office Ground Floor, front, New Masonic Temple, S. W. Corner 4th and 2d sts.

PH PLETTENBERG. AUGUST KLOSTERM
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CONTRACTORS IN MASONRY,
Brick Laying and Plaster Work.
Jamestown, - - - Dakota
We desire to call the attention to the fact that we have come to Jamestown to stay, and shall endeavor to the best of our ability to do work which will in every respect give satisfaction, and hope to receive liberal patronage.

N. B. Harwood & Co., of Minneapolis, who failed quite recently, have made an assignment to Curtis H. Pettet, of Minneapolis.

It is reported that Mr. Wallace will contest his seat in the Council. If he does there is no doubt but that he will get it.

A law providing that the district judge act as a member of the canvassing board in cases where a member of the board is a candidate for office, should receive the attention of our next legislature.

Mr. Pettigrew's position as the representative of Dakota in our next Congress will not be altogether lovely. The fact is there is more expected of him than any one man can accomplish under the most favorable circumstances.

D. M. Kelleher, and his political associate, Pat Smith, feel more keenly than ever before the total depravity of mankind and realize to a modest extent their inability to properly estimate just how much they will pull down until weighed in the scale of public opinion.

John Sherman has tendered his resignation as head cashier for Uncle Sam, and asks to be returned to his old seat in the Senate Chamber. It is probable, however, that his request will not be granted, as local politicians of Ohio are making vigorous efforts to occupy the place themselves.

Bismarck Sun, 17th: Jamestown is swinging into the line of genuine business activity that characterizes Fargo. Its newspaper, The Alert, is teeming with large "ads" from all the firms in town, lands are selling rapidly, settlers are locating continually, building is going on about the town on a large scale and prosperity generally reigns supreme.

We should think that McClure, of the Alert, would donate from $50.00 to $100.00 toward building an opera house—profits of his newspaper, you know.—N. P. Farmer.

While we can not deny, Bro. Whitney, that the proceeds (?) of this great family journal are sufficiently lucrative to justify us in thus donating either of the amounts suggested, we would greatly prefer to put the same amount into some kind of an asylum for the benefit of superannuated school teachers.

Pat Smith, lately declared elected to the territorial house by the canvassing board of this 11th legislative district, refuses to accept his certificate of election. He claims that his democratic friends virtually sold him out, only giving him a majority of sixty in the district, when he should have received four hundred. Were it not for the fraudulent vote at the landing his present majority would be reduced to a minority, and his republican friend Wallace would go in by 15 or 20 majority.

The Red River and Northern Pacific Sunday School Association," meets in annual session on the 24 and 34 of December, at Glyndon. All Sunday schools in Northern Minnesota and Dakota are invited to send delegates. Schools that cannot send delegates are requested to forward by mail the reports of their schools as per blanks sent out, to A. C. Andrews, Prest. S. S. Ass., Glyndon, Minn. Reduced fare, viz: three-fourths, to Glyndon from all points on N. P. road between Detroit and Casselton.

The Daily Argus gives John McLean of Bismarck all the credit for the unusually heavy republican vote polled in Burleigh county, this fall. The tally is thin, and through the thinness thereof can be seen a cruel dagger sticking into the side of John A. Stoyell. The Argus hates Mr. Stoyell in its heart, and fearing that he might get credit for doing something worthy of a crown of glory, seeks to divert the attention of the public from him by giving all the glory to another. Mr. McLean did much good. He was a power, but he did not do it all. No one man did it, and it claims he did he lies. The fact is, Hon. John A. Stoyell and McLean were co-workers in Burleigh county, each doing his level best to place it, if possible, out of the hands of a vile and notorious rabble, into the hands of men who were capable of giving the wants of the people of the district a fair and intelligent consideration. The Alert knows positively the position occupied by these two gentlemen, and knows that they are both entitled to a world of credit.

The question, "shall we be left to freeze to death?" is daily becoming more serious. There is not up to the present writing (Thursday evening), one bushel of hard coal in the county. Now, some one is, or ought to be, made responsible for this fact. The Northwestern Fuel Company agreed to furnish Jamestown with all the fuel they would require at so much a ton—some two or three dollars a ton cheaper than it could be bought last season—and they have not kept their pledge. There are rumors to the effect that the coal is being held back for a raise. That they are proposing to make us pay more per ton or freeze. Another is to the effect that there is not enough coal in Duluth to supply the demand, and another to the effect that the N. P. cannot get the cars. These rumors may be all true but we are inclined to think that a portion of them are not. Fargo is being amply supplied with coal; why not Jamestown? It is about time something was done, and we hope to see some action taken by our business men in this matter before it is too late.

IT SHOULD NOT BE.

At present there seems to be no provisions in our territorial statutes making it unlawful for candidates to act upon the board of canvassers, and in our opinion it is high time our legislature took some measure toward manufacturing a law providing that in cases where the officers of the canvassing board are candidates other persons equally responsible and capable should be appointed. As the law now is a candidate who occupies a prominent position on the canvassing board has an admirable opportunity to count himself in whether elected or not, thus defrauding his opponent of his just dues, and thwarting the wishes of the people. It would appear that in such cases as referred to in the foregoing that the district judge, who ever he might be, should be imbued with the authority to act as a member of the board, and by thus officiating, relieve the people of any anxiety as to whether their wishes will be respected or not. Such a law would also relieve him from unjust suspicion. Our next legislature would do well to consider this point, that justice, and not fraud, shape the result of our elections.

D. M. KELLEHER.

The verdict has been rendered, sentence pronounced, and our townsman, Mr. D. M. Kelleher, whose ambition led him to forsake the paths of private life for the third time, with a hope of gaining a front seat in our territorial legislature, has been quietly stored away in the great political graveyard to keep company with the defunct party to which he had the misfortune to belong. In the same grave yard rests his friend Hancock and many others of like faith. As Mr. Kelleher reviews the field, he cannot fail to observe wherein his defeat lieth. It is a fact that this district is democratic: it has never been anything else but democratic, and that by an overwhelming majority. It is obvious then, that if a republican is elected, he must be elected by the democrats. So it has been in this case. Had the democratic party staid by Mr. Kelleher he would have been elected and Mr. Wells defeated. As it is, he has been slain by his own party, and by no other. D. M. Kelleher is a good man, a quiet and becoming citizen, and as such we like him, and propose to stand by him.

PETTIGREW INTERVIEWED.

Deadwood Pioneer.

Hon. R. F. Pettigrew, Dakota's next delegate to congress, called at the Pioneer office last evening to express his thanks for the valuable support rendered by the Pioneer during the campaign, by which an election was secured, and to say good-bye ere his departure for the east to-day. He was subjected to a quiet pumping process.

"My majority?" he said in answer to a question, "well, it will hug 8,000 mighty close. Look at this," and he presented a telegram which read:

Fargo, Nov. 6.—R. F. Pettigrew, Deadwood: The whole Northern Pacific country will give you five to six hundred majority. H. F. Miller.

"My expectations," he continued, "will be greatly surpassed. I thought seven thousand a big majority, but I have been figuring up to-day, and in doing so considered that the Hills majority would be stood off by northern Dakota. The result reached 6,800, but with a majority up there you see it must almost touch 8,000."

"Burleigh county? Why it went 400 against me; I expected it. Eastern Dakota? I have been agreeably disappointed there, too. For instance, there is Clay county that comes up smiling with 121 majority. Two years ago it gave Tripp 41 majority. In fact, I feel very highly complimented with the vote."

"When do you return to the Hills, Mr. Pettigrew?"

"In May. Not until after I take my seat."

"What do you propose to do about a division of the territory, after taking your seat."

"I shall endeavor to effect a division on the 46th parallel, and an admission of the southern half as a state. Of course a bill for that purpose cannot be introduced for another year at least, unless we have a special session of congress."

"Will we have sufficient population to make the demand?"

"Certainly. The census shows that there are 95,000 people south of the 46th parallel, and I can assure you that an immigration of at least 50,000 will locate with us next year."

"Are the people of the cow counties, as we call them, favorably disposed?"

"Most assuredly—they are eager for it."

"And the disposition of congress?"

"I apprehend no difficulty at all. The house will be republican, and will readily grant an application, while the senate, it will be a tie, and if Davis has the decisive ballot he will vote in the affirmative.

He is a personal friend, and, I am sure, will say 'come in.'"

Probably no where in Dakota can thier be found a hardware store so complete in in stock and so artistically arranged as is the store of Learned Bros.' of this city. The store is under the able and trustworthy managment of Wm. J. Barbour, a young man noted for his superior business qualifications and enterprise, who seems to take an extraordinary degree of delight fixing and refixing certain articles so they will show off to a good advantage. On each counter stretches long and expensive show-cases. In these are keep silver-ware, all kinds table cutlery and other costly fixings, which are arranged in an extremely becoming and artistic manner.

Proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners.

In session Nov. 13th, 1880.

Present, Kelleher and Moran, Kelleher in the Chair.

Notice of call read to the Board.

The receiving of Court expenses laid over until next meeting; also, the matter of receiving bridge until full board be present.

Petition of the people presented by W. M. Morris, and laid over until full board be present.

On motion board adjourned until Tuesday, Nov. 16, at 10 a. m.

G. W. VENNUM, County Clerk.

Meeting of the board as per adjournment, Friday, Nov. 16th.

Present, Kelleher.

No other member present, Board adjourned until Friday, Nov. 19th, at 10 a. m. GEO. W. VENNUM, Co. Clerk.

In session Friday, November 19th, 1880.

Full board present, Kelleher in the chair.

Board called to order at 10 a. m. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Question of receiving bridge postponed until Nov. 20th.

Report of Justice of the Peace Braune for Quarter ending Oct. 1st, received, approved, and fees allowed.

On motion a public highway was established as per report of viewers, from Jamestown to Spiritwood, and record ordered made of the same.

The plan of James River Bridge submitted by Mr. Aubertin, received, and board ordered County Clerk to employ Mr. Aubertin to make complete plans and specifications of both a pile and bent bridge for James river, and a plan for common bent bridge for Pipestem creek on road No 3 from Jamestown to Burton.

On motion the road supervisor was ordered to make culverts on Spiritwood road and keep the same in passable condition, for all seasons of the year.

The petition of the people for raising extra funds to encourage the discovery of coal was laid over for further information.

The following bills were allowed;

Wm. C. White, attorney for Dist. Court	$10 00
O. A. Boynton, road viewer,	2 00
M. Robbins, do	2 00
Jas. E. Herbert, do	4 00
Thos. S. Collins, stationery, &c.,	4 25
Thos. S. Collins, work on coal-shed	3 00
H. B. Bush, constable fees	12 00
L. Lyon, coal for county	145 00
Jas. R. Winslow, lumber for coal shed	17 54
A. McKechnie, Sheriff fees	370 00

Also fees for jurors and witnesses as qualified by clerk of the court, allowed, and judges and clerks of election allowed $2.00 per day. Jamestown precinct judges and clerks allowed two days fees on last election, other precincts one day's fees. On motion the bill of Ed. L. Bishop reporting for district court not allowed and county clerk ordered to return the same for explanation.

Board adjourned to receive bridge and report at ten o'clock a. m. Nov. 20th.

G. W. VENNUM,
County Clerk.

Proceedings of the board of County Commissioners in Session Nov. 20, 1880.

Board all present—D. M. Kelleher in chair. Commissioners report on bridge received. On motion the bridge was accepted and A. McKechnie allowed pay for same as per contract, and also the sum of eighty two dollars for extra work caused by error in plans.

On motion A. McKechnie was allowed the sum of $118,05 for road work and repairs on old military bridge.

A. W. Kelley was allowed $19 25 clerk of court fees October term.

On motion board adjourned until 10 a. m. Saturday, Nov 27th, 1880.

GEO. W. VENNUM, County Clerk.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following transfers of real estate in Statsman county have been made for the week ending Nov. 20:

N. P. R. R. to Clara P. Hanson, lots 3 and 4, block 31, lots 4 and 5 block 17, lot 17, block 24, Jamestown, $200.

N. P. R. R. to A. Klaus, lots 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8, block 25, lots 13, 14, and 15 block 31, lots 15 and 16 block 39, lots 1, 2, 14, 15 and 16, block 40, in Jamestown, $600.

E. P. Wells to Josephine Schwertz, ne ¼, nw ¼, sec 31, tp 141, range 63, 40 acres, $80.

N. P. R. R. to Patrick Brady, n½ sec 29, tp 139, range 66, ne ¼ e ½, n ½ se ¼ se ¼ sec 31 tp 139, range 69, nw ¼ sec 15, tp 140, range 68, acres 800, $2,000.

E. P. Wells to Theresa Mutz, ne ¼, sec 21, tp 111, range 63, 160 acres, $400.

A. G. Parkhurst and wife to Jas. Winslow, lots 1, 2 and 3, block 39, Klaus' addition to Jamestown, $300.

B. S. Russell to Cuyler Adams, blocks 6 and 11, lot 16, block 2, in Spirtwood, $5.

B. S. Russell to Cuyler Adams, blocks 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16, in Spiritwood, $300.

Cuyler Adams to B. S. Russell, blocks 7 and 10, in Spiritwood, $5.

M. V. B. Benson and wife to A. G. Parkhurst, lots 1, 2 and 3, block 47 in Klaus' addition to Jamestown, $200.

Jamestown Turnverein.

All members of the Jamestown Turnverein are requested to attend the next meeting on Saturday, the 4th of Dec., as business of importance will be transacted. The meeting will be called to order at 8 p. m. sharp.

G. W. KURTZ, 1st Speaker.
GEORGE BRAUNE, Sec'y.

DAKOTA ITEMS.

Fargo is to have a street railroad.

Traill county mourns because it has no flouring mill.

Grand Forks boasts of having twenty-seven saloons.

Casselton is taking in wheat at the rate of fifty thousand bushels a day.

The Fargo Times announces that the long promised daily Times is forthcoming.

The Hudson Bay mill at Caledonia is standing still and the people of that place are compelled to go thirty miles to mill.

The railroad company has made arrangements whereby soft coal will be delivered on track at Canton at about $4.50 per ton. That's cheaper than stealing it.

Another shooting affair took place at East Pierre last week between a couple of up town bummers. Unfortunately but one of them was killed.

The Entertainment.

The entertainment advertised to take place at the Masonic Hall in this city, for the benefit of the Presbyterian church, was well attended and the event proved to be one of the rarest treats of the season.

In addition to a complete and able rendering of the excellent program, which we publish in this issue, there was an appropriate intermingling of other exercises, partaking largely of comic presentations of a varied and fantastical order. Had we sufficient space to admit personal mention it would afford us pleasure to comment in a highly complimentary manner upon the talent displayed by the several participants in the rendering of the various exercises of the evening, but as we can not do so we will only add that the affair was a very credible one, and we hope ere long to have the pleasure of announcing another entertainment of a similar character.

Some heartless street urchin of the city gives circulation to a story to the effect that a number of them, including Willie Knapp, "little" Tony Klaus, and elder Inman, received fifty cents apiece from a portion of the "musical" company, last Thursday evening, for their services. The young roosters were to cheer whenever such pieces as mentioned to them by their employers had been rendered, and to continue the tumult until it would be apparently necessary for them to reappear and repeat the favored production.

The social dance given by Smith & Lathrop, at the new Masonic hall last Friday evening was very liberally attended, and reported as having been a pleasant affair.

It is understood that the elite dancing club will hold their parties, in the future, in the third story of the Dakota House. The change is probably made for convenience sake.

Mr. Hurd, of the Dakota House, is becoming as popular in Jamestown, as he has made himself in other cities along the N. P. The excellent bill of fare gotten up by him on thanksgiving day was a credit to him as well as the cook who prepared it.

Thanksgiving day was generally observed by the people of Jamestown, and especially by the turkey gobbling portion of the village. The Dakota House had an exceptionally good dinner, while our other hotels and restaurants did equally as well, considering their ability and bigness.

Although Judge Bennett was not running, a number of his admirers in this county voted for him in preference to Mr. Pettigrew. A few votes were cast for him in Parker precinct. In Centerville Bennett received forty-six votes more than the Pettigrew and McCormack vote combined. —New Era, Parker, D. T.

The Dakota House published the first bill of fare ever gotten up in Jamestown, on thanksgiving day. It was a beautiful folio sheet, gotten up at The Alert office and finished with gold bronze. One hundred extra sheet were printed for the accommodation of guests and citizens who desired to send them them away to their friends in the east.

The entertainment last Thursday evening held at the Masonic hall was the means of bringing several silver dollars into the celestial treasury, which together with the hord of wealth heretofore secured, will aid very materially in the commendable work of erecting a church in this city. Such entertainments are both pleasant and beneficial, and we trust that in the future they will be more extensively indulged in.

It is wicked and vile to steal. It is low and unbecoming a gentleman. We realize this fact more and more as we reflect that some reckless sun-of-a-gun has stolen our brand-new thermometer. Our eyes moisten with the dew of poverty, while our bosom, which has just been filled chuck up with thanksgiving turkey, heaves with fevered emotion at the thought. Oh! ye gods and little fishes, must we be thus robbed?

Miss Clara Martin who has won so many laurels as cook at the Dakota House, has resigned that position and now fills with credit to herself the position of head waiter. It is only for the sake of doing Miss Martin justice that The Alert takes occasion to remark that a very large portion of the popularity of the Dakota House is due to the excellent manner in which the cooking department has been conducted during the past year. Miss M. not only excels as a cook, but is a lady of superior ability, education and refinement.