

The Hope Pioneer.

HOPE, GRIGGS CO., NORTH DAKOTA, FRIDAY, APRIL 27, 1883. No. 1.

Grand Arcade

Steele Avenue and Third Street.
T. Prop. HOPE, D. T.
LARGEST AND MOST COMPLETE STOCK OF

Merchandise

OF THE TERRITORY.

Provisions, Flour and Feed,

Crockery and Glassware, Boots and Shoes,
FLOOR AND NOTIONS, CLOTHING, HATS, CAPS
AND FURNISHING GOODS.

Stock of fine glass goods, filling to overflowing this mammoth double store, with floor-room of nearly 6,000 square feet—

WONDERFUL ELECTRIC LIGHT.

NEAT Griggs County SUPPLY STORE!

WORK OF A MAGICIAN.

How the City of Hope Was Built,
Like Aladdin's Wonderful
Palace.

What Was Accomplished by En-
ergy and Pluck in North
Dakota.

Plenty of Room Still Left for
All Those Who Want to
Work.

Triflers, Idlers and Bums Not
Wanted in Hope or its
Vicinity.

With this issue of the PIONEER begins its second volume, and it is eminently proper that we at this time, just as we have passed what is usually the most critical period in the history of a public journal, take a retrospective glance and note what progress has been made, not alone in the paper, but in the town and community which it seeks to represent. And for this purpose it is necessary that we go back to a little over one year ago, when we present to the site of Hope and the surrounding country was almost in its primeval condition, the foot of the white man having hardly as yet trod its virgin sod. Then the nearest point to a railroad was some thirty miles, and no settlements had been made either north or west for many miles. Here and there might be found a hardy frontiersman who had squatted, awaiting the coming of civilization.

But the magician came, in the shape of an army of workmen, with all their tools and mechanical appliances, and lo, the whole scene changed in the twinkling of an eye, so to speak, and behold, at once arose, as if by enchantment, one of the most beautiful of the young cities of North Dakota, fully equipped with all the appliances and luxuries that modern civilization has rendered necessary for the comfort of man.

On the 14th day of February, 1882, the first stake was driven on the site where now stands the Hope House, and on the 28th day of April following was thrown open the doors of the magnificent structure, that is to-day without a rival in North Dakota, complete in every department, including the electric light, Hope being at that time the youngest city in the world that could boast of that latest wonder of science. The Hope House complete, including furniture, cost very near fifty thousand dollars, and stands today a monument to the pluck and energy of E. H. Steele and S. S. Small, who conceived the idea of building a city where the antelope roamed at will and which but a few short years before had been the home of the red man and the grazing ground of the buffalo.

To understand fully the magnitude of this enterprise, it must be remembered that all the lumber and supplies, in fact every single thing used in the construction of not only the hotel, but many of the shops and private buildings, was drawn by rail from points on the railroad about sixty miles distant, over a country without roads, and through the storms of winter, and that the Hope House was given on the Hope branch of the St. P., M. & M. railroad, thus putting us at once in direct communication with the rest of the world. On the 20th of July a large party of excursionists, numbering about 250, visited Hope, being guests of the Red River Land Company, the officers of which entertained them at the new hotel in the most sumptuous manner.

In the meantime others had not been idle. As soon as the plat of Hope was completed a large number of lots were disposed of to persons anxious to locate in the new town, and a large force of mechanics were soon hard at work, and new buildings began springing up in every direction, until the prairie became dotted all over with stores, warehouses, offices, restaurants, livery stables, etc., which were opened as fast as completed with full lines of the various goods and wares for which they were intended, the goods in many cases being on the ground before the buildings were more than half finished, so that when the last rail was laid it practically found a town perfect in all its departments and ready for business.

But, says some one, if the country was uninhabited who was to buy the goods? And this is probably the most wonderful part of all, that a town should be built before the country was settled up. But those familiar with Dakota and Dakota methods will not wonder so much at this as those who are not. Scarcely had the site for Hope been selected, and before the town had been platted, and by the time the railroad reached here there had been a quarter section of land that had not been filed upon, and much of this land has already changed hands several times, and each time at very greatly enhanced prices. In fact, it is impossible at the present time to purchase land anywhere within a reasonable distance of Hope for less than \$10 to \$15 per acre, according to distance from Hope and the quality of the land.

While all this has been accomplished in the short space of twelve months, we have not by any means come to a standstill, but already evidences multiplying that now that the icy shackles of winter have been cast off we are about to witness a new impetus in the way of improvements, and we venture the prediction that ere another winter shall have set in the business and population of Hope will have increased more than 100 per cent. While we have representatives here of nearly every class of merchants, and while the mechanic arts are represented by a set of artisans who have no superiors in the country there is yet room for all who may desire to come, whatever may be their occupation or calling. Let none stay away who are prepared to come and work, and we have no room for idlers and triflers, and we have yet to hope the man or woman who has come to Hope who has not succeeded beyond his or her most sanguine anticipations. Of course energy and industry are as necessary here as in other communities, and with who comes to Dakota

PIONEER?

When the publication of the paper was first commenced the printing of it was done at Minneapolis. As soon as the railroad reached Hope and a proper building could be erected for its accommodation, the paper was moved to Hope, bringing with it a first-class newspaper outfit, including a new power press, and all the latest styles of type and necessary appliances for doing fine job work of all kinds, from the finest visiting card to a mammoth poster. Shortly after moving to Hope it became necessary to enlarge the paper, owing to increased space being demanded by the merchants of Hope to make known their business. Since then the business of the paper has continued steadily to increase both in advertising and in circulation, until to-day no paper in Dakota has a more solid foundation upon which to build. Of the merits of the PIONEER, editorially, our modesty will not permit us to speak, but we think we may safely say that in typographical appearance it has not been excelled by any paper in Dakota.

With many thanks for the generous patronage bestowed upon us in the past, and with an assurance that nothing shall be left undone by us to advance the prosperity of Hope and its citizens, the PIONEER enters upon its second volume confident of success.

The Election in Traill County.

On Thursday, April 19, 1883, a special election was held in Traill county for the purpose of selecting a site for the county seat of that county. At the present time we have but few details of the result, which seem to indicate that Traill Center has a majority over all. The Mayville Eagle comes to us with over a column of headlines and not a single figure to indicate the vote polled, which looks to us very much as though it was a cut and dried affair, and as though the paper was printed before the election was over. The Portland Inter Ocean is more modest, and says that 573 votes were cast, and that from all "indications" Traill Center has a handsome majority. We confess that we do not understand the *modus operandi* whereby two small villages like Portland and Mayville can cast more votes than there is population, except upon the "vote early and often, and vote all day" principle, which seems to have been pretty successfully practiced at those two places.

On the Boom.

Notwithstanding the fact that our farmers are all busily engaged in seeding the golden grain, our streets have presented an animated appearance all week, teams coming and going in every direction, and our merchants report that never has trade been so good as at the present time. What with receiving their spring supplies, selling and delivering goods, they have had but little time to spare. In some cases they have been compelled work as late as 10 p. m. in order to get an opportunity to unpack and mark their goods. Trade among the lumbermen has been especially brisk, and they report a constantly increasing demand for all kinds of building material. Had we the convenience of a good bridge across the Sheyenne river our business would be largely increased by orders from people in and around the primitive village of Cooperstown for merchandise and lumber, the difference in the price of common lumber being only \$11 per thousand feet in favor of Hope.

Our Sidewalks.

Now that the weather is here, it is about time that some action should be taken by the citizens of Hope looking to providing more and better sidewalks. There are many points in the town to which persons are frequently called that at times are almost impossible, notably in this case in regard to the street leading to the church, and many ladies are deprived the pleasure of attending church owing to this fact. This is a matter that should receive prompt attention. It gives us pleasure in this connection to be able to state that the property owners on the east side of Third street have taken the initiative steps in this matter, and have laid down a good, substantial walk between Steele and Hubbard avenues. Now let the owners of property north of Hubbard avenue do likewise, and there will be a good walk all the way to the church.

The Public School.

The spring term of the Hope public school commenced on Monday morning with a fair attendance of children for a first day. The School Board has been fortunate in securing the services of Mrs. McLaughlin, of Illinois. This lady has for some years been the first assistant in one of the leading high schools of Illinois, and brings to her new field of labor an experience that cannot fail of being in the highest degree beneficial to the children who may come under her charge. We hope that all parents will see to it that their children are punctual and regular in their attendance, and thus aid the teacher, to the extent of their ability, in maintaining the discipline that is essential to attain the best results.

License or No License.

At the last meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Griggs county there were two petitions on the liquor question presented, one with 375 signatures attached asking that no license be granted for the sale of liquor, and the other with 129 signatures in favor of license. The Board of Commissioners has suggested that at the special election which is to take place on the second day of June next to determine the question of a division of the two counties of Traill and Griggs and the formation of the new county of Steele the voters of Griggs county give expression to their views on this question, and thus instruct the County Commissioners what action take in the premises.

Scene on Steele Avenue.

"Oh, Annie," exclaimed one of the belles of Hope, a day or two since, as she met a young friend, "I'm so glad to see you. Mother just sent me down to Mr. Baldwin's Grand Arcade to get a few yards of cotton, and Mr. Seymour—don't let me leave the store until he had shown me all the new goods they have been receiving, and oh, my, they have just got everything you can think of, and there are just too nice and pretty for anything, and so cheap. I'm just going to run home and tell ma all about what I have seen, and you bet we won't give pa no rest till he takes us down to the Grand Arcade and lets us select what we desire."

OUR DAILY BREAD.

Immense Increase in the Production of the Cereal Which Makes it, Near Hope.

From Five Bushels to a Quarter of a Million Bushels in Two Years.

How the Metropolis and Its Business Will be Affected by the Increase.

An Invitation to Capitalists, Mechanics and Others to Make Their Abiding Place at Hope.

Two years ago, we are informed by a gentleman in every way reliable and one who has been thoroughly conversant with the history of the county for several years, there were but five bushels of wheat raised in what is now known as Griggs county. Last year, in the county immediately surrounding Hope, and which comprises only a portion of Griggs county, there were raised somewhere between forty and fifty thousand bushels of wheat, and this year, from the most reliable information that we have been able to gather in regard to the number of acres that will be seeded, the amount of seed sold, and such other information as is to be gleaned from farmers who live in various sections of the territory embraced in our estimate, there will be not less than two hundred and fifty thousand bushels of wheat raised, with an ordinarily favorable season, that will seek Hope as a market for shipment, and next spring the number of acres that will be prepared for seed will be nearly double that of the present year. We state these facts—and there is no "boom" talk in this—as an evidence of the rapidity with which this section of the Red River Valley is being developed and the wild lands brought under cultivation. In addition to this immense crop of wheat there will also be a large amount of oats and potatoes, some barley and some buckwheat raised. We also hear of one or two persons who intend raising beans as a crop, the soil here being peculiarly adapted to and returning large yields from this well-known leguminous plant.

It will be seen from this it only requires a propitious season in order to place our farmers on the top round of the ladder of financial prosperity, and as whatever circumstances contribute to the success of a farming community also affects the business men of the town and cities in like manner, it requires no prophetic eye in order to predict, although Providence bless us with a favorable season and a bountiful harvest that Hope and its citizens cannot fail of being immensely benefited from the large increase in the acreage seeded. Now is the time for persons who contemplate coming to Dakota for the purpose of entering into mercantile, mechanical or manufacturing pursuits to secure a location for business in the vicinity of such buildings as they share of the business, and to be sure to follow a successful harvest, and in their search for a locality we advise them to by no means fail of visiting Hope, and look over the most excellent opportunities that are here presented either to the merchant, manufacturer, capitalist or mechanic. Here the merchant will find an intelligent and refined class of people, all of their well-to-do and many of them comparatively wealthy, and who have been accustomed to and require all the comforts and luxuries of life; the manufacturer, whether it be on bricks, farming implements, clothing, shoes, or any of the thousand and one articles that are intended to lighten labor and add so much to the convenience and happiness of man, will find a broad field at present almost wholly unoccupied, and one that will yield a rich return on every dollar that may be invested; the capitalist will find cheap town lots and cheap farms that are rapidly increasing in value, a class of merchants that are doing a safe and prosperous business, and are naturally anxious to extend the same, enterprising and financially sound farmers, all of whom, in the natural course of business, will at times need capital to carry on their enterprises; for the mechanic and laborer there is an abundance of work at the highest wages. To all who may come we can assure in advance that hearty welcome for which Hope and its citizens have become noted, no matter what their calling or from whence they come.

A Grand Opening.

Ladies should make a note of it, and so arrange their domestic affairs as to be able to devote several hours on Tuesday, May 1, to attending the opening which will take place on that day at Baldwin's Grand Arcade, and inspect the rich display of fine dress goods, laces, ribbons, bonnets, and the many pretty little ornaments with which ladies like to adorn themselves in order to please the male portion of creation. Don't forget next Tuesday.

Hardy Apples for Dakota.

Considerable doubt is being manifested in regard to growing apples in Dakota, but as Southern Dakota is no farther north than Vermont, New Hampshire and Northern New York, where many varieties of hardy apples are raised in abundance, it would seem that there is nothing in the way of growing them here. Dr. Hopkins, of Newport, in Northern Vermont, who has given much attention to selecting the hardiest varieties for that region of severe winters, has recently made a list of hardy varieties for the Rural New Yorker. He gives among the early hardy varieties as tested by him the Tetotok, Yellow Transparent and Duchess of Oldenburg, the latter being very handsome and heavy bearing, his only fault being its moderate quality. He pronounces the Wealthy "the king of all hardy apples," keeping till March; the Magor Red-streak standing next to the Wealthy as a hardy winter sort, and Scott's Winter coming next. Among the sorts that have been entirely destroyed by cold are the Yellow Bell Flower, Red Canada, Grimes, Golden, Gravenstein, Canada Reinette, Fall Orange, Golden Sweet, Fair Plippen and others.

How He Worshipped.

The President, it appears, worshipped very industriously in Florida on Sunday—at the Episcopal church in the morning, at the Catholic in the afternoon, and at the colored Methodist in the evening. In this way he not only showed the breadth of his theological, but furnished proof that he was not only a man of the question, but a man of the question.

AN UNFORTUNATE ACCIDENT.

A Citizen of Hope Loses His Horse and Wagon in the Cheyenne.
Mr. G. J. Betzler, who keeps a meat market in Hope, was so unfortunate as to lose his horse and wagon in the Cheyenne river on Sunday last. It seems that he had occasion to leave the horse for a short time near the bank of the river, and secured him with a rope to a tree. During Mr. Betzler's absence the animal became frightened from some unknown cause, broke away, ran for a short distance along bank, and finally plunged down the steep bank into fifteen feet of water, the water falling on top of the horse and sinking under the water, both being rapidly swept away by the current, which is just now strong, owing to the high water which at present prevails. The loss is a severe one to Betzler, as the horse had cost him about only a year ago, and was valued just prior to the accident at \$200, saying nothing of the wagon.

Just a Little Off.

Kent, Gray & McDonald have taken contract of some work for the Red River Co., and Mr. Kent is now in Hope in job through the office of the Register. The Hopedites to be compelled to call on town mechanics for a decent job-town Courier.

We guess not. Mr. Kent was employed because there was work to be done and he is a good mechanic, without where he lived. When Cooper attained the dignity of a metropol (which will probably not occur present century), then, Mr. become cocoonopolis and jealousies which small village toward their larger neighbors.

Territorial Chatter.

A great deal of "chatter" is being done all through southern Dakota. Coal has been discovered again—this time south of Ironsides, in Kingsbury county. Sioux Falls hopes to see soon a manufacturer started there for making lumber from straw. The Northern Pacific railroad is building an additional round house and shops at Fargo. A large double tank, with two compartments each 32x40 feet, serves for heating water at La Beau. Two miles of track between Bismark and Steyning were under water Monday and trains were suspended. The Bismark land office did the largest business in its history Monday. One thousand and fifteen claims were taken. Grand Forks is trying to organize a stock company to purchase 3,500,000 feet of pine lumber at \$17 per 1,000, delivered. A number of Englishmen are said to have bought up a tract of the Bad Lands, which they will make a deer park. The artisan well at Mitchell continues to throw water thirty-five feet above the surface of the high ground on which it is situated. Prairie fires in Kingsbury county have done considerable damage, having burned several claim shanties. Others were saved only hard work. The Bismark Tribune reports the procuring of a man who sat down on a hot supposing there was no fire in it, surely unnecessary.

Three Tramps who have been imprisoned in the Bismark city for robbing on a street, a disturbance took French leave on a night of the 22d.

The Carrington news is the name of a newspaper published at Carrington, in the North Dakota. It is newsy and spicy. The farmers here generally witness a good season in the vicinity of Bismark. The acreage of wheat and oats is largely increased, and the ground is in a generally good condition. Rev. Calvin Bishop, of Pembina, was on Wednesday evening last attacked by a half breed for the purpose of robbery. The gentleman was knocked down and severely injured. A lady of Frederick, Brown county, poured kerosene on her smoldering fire to hasten its burning. The fire spread and she was nearly smothered, though she will never be married. The Presbyterian church at Carrington has thirteen self-sustaining churches, and an investment of nearly \$100,000, and in South Dakota there is not one that does not require aid from the Board of Home Missions. Some farmers in the vicinity of Valley City have determined to postpone threshing until fall. The stacks being wet from melting snow and rain, and counting so near at hand a week's work is a matter of economy. During the past week 375 government claims, amounting to 47,000 acres, were filed on at the United States land office in Fargo, and final proof was made on 56 claims, or 8,800 acres. The cash receipts amounted to \$18,098.11. A man named William Stelling was enticed into a saloon in Grand Forks and induced to bet ten dollars on a game of dice. He took out a roll of about \$1,000, when one of the men grabbed it and disappeared. Stelling followed the man, who gave up \$500 of the amount. The man has thus far eluded arrest. Charles and Frederick Ward, two brothers dealing in real estate, and who were interested in the townsite of Bartlett, were found dead near the townsite on Tuesday. They were found in their claim shanty. They were Chicago, and were quiet and peaceable as cause is assigned for the deed. A great many threats have been made against the War. The parties, if found, will be lynched.

Foreclosing Mortgages.

The Legislature of the Territory amended section 515 of the Code, in regard to the foreclosure of mortgages, to read as follows: The party foreclosing a mortgage by advertisement shall be entitled to his costs and disbursements out of proceeds of the sale; and shall also be entitled, in addition, to any attorney fee agreed upon in the mortgage, upon the making of the advertisement, or if more than one, by one of the attorneys employed to foreclose, and filing with the Register of Deeds at or prior to the time of sale, of an affidavit to the effect that such attorney or attorneys have been in good faith employed to foreclose; that the full amount of such fees inures to his or their benefit; that no agreement or understanding for any other fee, thereof or otherwise, shall be made by the mortgagor and the attorney or attorneys, or by any other person, and that no part thereof, is, or has been, agreed to be paid to the party foreclosing.

Devil's Lake.

A Washington special dated April 19 says the appointment clerk of the Interior Department, Mr. Hood, said to-day that neither the Register nor Receiver of the New De. The Land Office has yet been appointed, and will probably not be until the question of the location of the office has been settled. He said that the name of ex-Congressman Lord of Michigan had been favorably mentioned as Register and that of George E. Whipple had been strongly urged as Receiver. In his opinion their appointments have been virtually agreed upon. The question of the location of the office has not been settled, but it is understood that the question will be solved very soon.

Try Hoy's "snowflake" starch at 10

pound and if you ever had a starch that you better, I'll make you a present of a chicken. H. H.

All gamblers who are

newspapers have or

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