

Letter From Trace.

Fayetteville, Ark.
Colcord & Truax, Editors
Ward County Independent.
Dear Sirs:—

Fayetteville is a city of between 6,000 and 7,000. It is situated in the lap of the Ozarks on the main line of the St. Louis & San Francisco R. R., 334 miles from St. Louis, 112 miles south of Springfield, Mo. It is the county seat of Washington Co., the population of which is 45,000. Fayetteville is a very pretty place situated as it is among the trees, scarcely a house but what has its own shade trees of natural growth.

The city has a fine view of the valleys opening out on three sides, the city stands 1,425 feet above sea level with peaks running 700 to 800 feet higher, easy of access, with farms on the top. My present home is 800 feet above the city. I find the atmospheric and climatic conditions very pleasant so far this winter, the thermometer has only reached 4 below zero for one night only. Have had about 2 inches of snow that staid on the ground about 36 hours. A pair of overshoes, such as you have on your feet, even while you are reading this are unknown here or nearly so.

This is a great educational center. The University of Arkansas is situated here with an attendance of 1200. University Hall is 214x222 5 stories high and stands on high ground and can be seen from any part of the city. With 320 acres belonging to the grounds about 75 acres of which is used for campus. They have an agricultural farm, horticultural farm and goat experimental station. Then they have good public schools. We have good water here, soft and pure, brought to the city by water works. Two large Wholesale Grocery houses, 1 Wholesale Drug company, electric light and telephone, and the franchise has been let for street electric cars, is to be put in operation this summer work to begin April 1st.

Arkansas as I have seen it in the winter time I find it a very pleasant contrast to the severe cold weather of North Dakota. I have opened up a small business here and have been well treated by the people. I find them social and hospitable and ready to extend the hand of good fellowship. I spent a few days in St. Louis on business and while there visited the World's Fair grounds and although a good many of the states had not begun to build one could see that when all was completed, words would be hard to find that would express the grandeur. Since last I stood within the open portal of your sanctum I have taken a post in graduate course in Retinoscopy and Ophthalmoscopy therefore I am entitled to write Dr. as a prefix before my name. Wishing the Independent all kinds of success I remain, Yours Truly,

Dr. Chas. H. Trace.

DAKOTA BUTTER

Dakota butter, like everything else grown or made in Dakota leads when it comes to quality. We are not surprised to know that Dakota lams are considered the best feeders by experienced sheep finishers, nor that Dakota grown draft horses are good for \$25 a head more in the eastern markets than southern grown animals, and now a well known commission firm of New York City says: "We find that the creameries in North Dakota are superior to many of the creameries in other states, both in flavor and body and especially body. We also find that the North Dakota goods, and also the South Dakota goods, carry better in cold storage than any goods that we store, and we certainly would like to get as many of the North Dakota creameries as we possibly could. We have tested them thoroly and what we say is positively true, and I thot that probably you could give me the names of the North Dakota creameries with the secretary.—Dakota Farmer.

Prof. Got Gay

Prof. Barker of the Duluth schools has resigned because he kissed two of the big girls and peached on him. In other words: There was a gay teacher of Dooluth
Who yearned to renew his old time youth:
He kissed two big girls
And mused up their curls—
There's a vacancy now up in Dooluth.—Ralph Wheelock.

Lincoln's birthday was fittingly observed in Minot. The schools and the banks were closed, though business in the mercantile lines was carried on as usual.

Baby Dead, Father Killed.

The accidental death of Conductor M. S. Mongoven of the east side on the N. P. between Grafton and Pembina, Sunday morning was doubly sad owing to the death of an infant child a few hours before. The conductors train became stuck in the snow north of Grafton and Pembina was asked to send help. Two engines were sent. In the darkness they crashed into the caboose of the stalled train and Conductor Mongoven was accidentally killed.

His little son, 4 days old, had died Saturday at noon, and the remains were awaiting the return of the father from his trip. Mrs. Mongoven was not told of her double loss until this morning and is now in a serious condition from the shock.

The coroner's inquest at Grafton, decided death was accidental and the remains were brought to a local undertaking shop.—Fargo Forum.

More Deaths From Storm.

News is coming in of disasters of the late storm, owing to the settlers being unprepared. Mr. and Mrs. Anton Hult and two children, who reside near Crown Butte, twelve miles northwest of Mandan, were returning home from a visit when they were compelled to stop in a vacated shack for shelter. Coal, wood and a stove were found, but they had no matches with which to start a fire. One of the children died and the mother and other child are in a precarious condition as a result of the exposure.

August Thomas, who worked for his brother south of Mandan was frozen during the storm. He was hauling a load of hay and the rack tipped over and the team and was lost and died in the snow.

Paul Evans has returned to his old home at Marshall, Mo., after proving up a fine homestead southwest of town. He may return to North Dakota some day, as he likes the country very much. He has ordered planted a grove of trees on the place.

LET US FILL IT

Our prescription business grows all the time.
We make a specialty of prescription work because we are equipped for it. This is the important department of our business, and it has our constant attention.
Our stock of prescription drugs is the most complete in this locality, and embraces everything that the physicians prescribe.
Our service would be worth paying a good price to secure.

But it Costs Nothing Extra.

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Great Removing Sale!

We have now removed the La Porte clothing stock into our old stand and it is impossible for us to make room without slaughtering a big proportion of this stock.

Boy's Suits.
Coat, Vests and Short Pants—3 to 13 years. Retail prices we give you.
\$1.50 for.....\$.78
3.00 ".....1.78
3.75 ".....2.17
4.00 ".....2.87
5.00 ".....2.87
6.50 ".....3.87

Boy's Short Length Overcoats.
Fifteen Overcoats, Pebble Cheviots, from 3 to 9, the cheapest one in the bunch was \$4.75. At this sale **\$1.58**

Caps.
50 caps at...19c 65c caps at...22c
Klondike Muskrat Caps, sold everywhere at \$3.50, three left, at \$1.57 apiece.

Young Men's Heavy All-wool Overcoats
The newest shapes, heavy silk and satin lined, \$12 coat for **\$6.00**
Young men's coat, 35, 36, 37's only, retailed from \$6.00 to 7.50, at this sale **\$6.00**

Men's Shirts.
The Lion brand of shirts which is sold any and everywhere at \$1.25, to not be mistaken of the price, just ask your gent's furnisher, ng goods men **\$1.59**

Boy's Sweaters.
SIZES 22 TO 32.
Blue, Red, Yellow, and White, dirt cheap at \$1.25, now .62½c or two for one.

Men's Black 50 Cent Working Shirt.
Double front and back. Sold from 60c to 75c, only 37c, all sizes.

Men's Overshoes.
A good, heavy standard grade of overshoes which is sold at **\$1.50. 98c**

Boy's Heavy First Grade.
\$1.25 at this sale .83c.
From 13 to 2's the same at.....65c
Child's, from 6 to 10½, the 65c overshoe, at 25c, choice

Ladies' Shirt Waists.
.60c now......38c
.75c and 85c, now......53c
\$1.50 now......98c
1.98 ".....\$1.30
2.50 ".....1.57
3.00 ".....2.00
3.98 ".....2.57
5.00 ".....3.55

These are all this fall's and winter's waists which must move in order to give room for new stuff.

Sofa Pillows—A regular .59c sofa pillow.....23c

Ladies' and Children's Felt Shoes.
\$1.00 shoes......68
1.25 "......75
1.75 ".....1.25
2.40 ".....1.60

Misses' Storm Arcs.
From 8½ to 2's, the regular 65c and 70c grade, at this sale **29c**
All Our Neckties—Half Price.
You can buy a nice up-to-date bow-tie for 3 cents each.

Shoes.
Men's \$3.00 shoes, fancy Valour **\$1.90** Call
LOT NO. 280.

Men's felt shoes, leather Fox **\$2.50, now \$1.55**
All-felt sole and leather heel **\$2.00** now **\$1.45**
Men's felt shoes, leather foxed and rubber soled, **\$3.00, now \$2.00.**
LOT No. 647—Men's Box Call, with call lining, are up-to-date shoes, cheap at \$3.00... **\$2.00.**

Cloaks.
These are Winter of 1906 and 1904.
\$ 4.90 Cloaks.....\$ 3.75
8.50 ".....5.25
15.00 ".....9.25
16.50 ".....10.25
20.00 ".....12.50
23.85 ".....16.00
30.00 ".....17.00

The Misses' and Children's coats all in proportion.

Ladies' Skirts.
\$3.78 Fancy Mixed Skirt.....\$2.98
6.50 Fancy Grade, mixed, all-wool 4.25
6.50 Corduroy Skirt.....4.35
7.00 Corduroy Skirt.....4.50
Misses' heavy wool skirts, \$2.45 to 2.75

Horse Blankets.
Two dozen storm horse blankets, heavy blanket lined, size 72x80, with straps, complete, \$1.35 each.

Men's Overcoats.
ULSTERS—The only thing for cold weather.
\$10.00 Coat.....\$5.50
11.00 ".....7.00
12.00 ".....6.75
Fancy coat, satin-quilted lining, cheap at \$23.00, only 12.00.

All the balance in proportion.
Russian Calf—Hand-tan and guaranteed \$24.00, now..... **\$15.50**
Kangaroo Calf—Natural color, 30.00, now..... 19.50
Kangaroo Calf—Dyed black, beaver color, 37.50, now..... 24.50
Kangaroo Calf—Black, natural color, 31.50, now..... 22.25

Boy's Long Overcoats.
10 TO 15 YEARS.
Heavy blue Chinchilla. These coats are positively new and up-to-date and the best values you ever saw for \$5. At this sale..... **\$2.67**
Boy's Ulsters, Storm Collars, in all-wool Chinchilla, sold at \$5.00, for \$2.87.
Boy's Ulsters, in greys and browns, 3.25, 3.50, 3.75, now..... **\$1.75.**

Men's Suits.
\$ 7.50, now.....\$ 5.00
9.00, ".....6.75
10.00, ".....7.25
12.00, ".....8.97
15.00, ".....11.25
20.00, ".....14.85

These goods are positively new for this spring and summer.
All men's clothing from the La Porte Clothing Co. the price is one-half the original selling price.

Men's 35c suspenders.....19c
Men's 25c suspenders.....18c
A new thing in men's shirts—Soft front loose collars, a special novelty for spring, cheap at 75c to \$1.00.....58c
Men's Full-size Overalls—Regular price 60 to 75c.....48c
Men's Heavy Fleece-lined Underwear—The 50c and 65c grade, your choice at.....43c

Our new muslin underwear will be in from New York on about February 10.

Boy's Reefers.
In all-wool, sizes from 3 to 10. The best thing for school and cold weather
Prices—\$3.00, 3.50 3.75, 4.00.
This is all put on at your choice for \$1.75.

Boy's Suits—Long Pants.
3.75 suit, only.....\$2.50
6.00 ".....3.75
7.00 ".....4.50
8.00 ".....4.90

Sizes from 16 to 18.
All colors in Cashmeres, Serges, Worsteds and Cotton and wool-mixed goods.

Men's Armor Brand Collars.
7 cents each, three for.....20c
Espacial job, two for 5c.

We will, at the front end of the table, have our odds and ends of our men's, boy's and children's underwear.
We cannot give you all the prices, but we will assure you they will go less than half of first cost.

This is to get the room, not all for the sake of getting your money.

We have 3 dozen pairs of children's, misses' and boy's leggins in Corduroy, Canvas, Jerseys, long and short. Prices from 50c to 65—now 25c. From 65c to \$1.00—now 37c. Two dozen of roll edge lumbermen's rubbers, a guaranteed article, sold at \$1.75, half price 83c.

Boy's Pants.
Special job on boy's pants, sizes from 13 to 15. Range in price 85c to \$1.75, only.....50c

Mittens.
All our mittens from the La Porte store will go as follows:
25 cent mittens, per pair.....13 cents
50 " " ".....25 cents
75 " " ".....38 cents
\$1.00 " " ".....50 cents
1.25 " " ".....63 cents
1.50 " " ".....75 cents
1.75 " " ".....88 cents

Ladies fancy cotton flannel night gowns, special price at \$1.38, now 88 cents.
Remember the best flour is still selling at \$2.30 per cwt.

There are many special bargains besides the ones given above which we cannot mention. As soon as we have room to handle the stock in this building this sale will be off.

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