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THE FLOURISHING CITY OF WIMBLEDON

AGRICULTURAL, FINANCIAL AND SOCIAL ADVANTAGES

Wimbleton is one of the largest towns in Barnes county and is located on the Soo Line thirty-five miles northwest of Valley City and 315 miles from Minneapolis, Minn. Wimbleton has been blessed for several years with bountiful crops and has never known a failure of crops the principal of which is wheat, flax, oats, corn, rye and almost any kind of small grain. The soil is adapted to almost any kind of farming as it is a rich deep alluvial deposit which is from twelve to thirty inches deep and is underlaid with a white clay sub-soil which is very retentive of moisture. When crops have been a failure in other parts of the state the Wimbleton country has enjoyed bountiful crops and the labors put forth by the farmers have been bountifully rewarded. The farmers as well as the business men of the place are progressive and have engaged extensively in stock raising diversified and scientific farming.

There are several large farms in the vicinity of Wimbleton, which make a specialty of blooded stock, and as a result of the efforts put forth by the farmers, Wimbleton has come to be recognized as something of a blooded stock center. There are five elevators which are taxed to their fullest capacity every year to handle the half million or more of grain that is marketed at that point every year.

Wimbleton is growing with a steady growth and has a very bright future prospect. The Midland Continental railroad, which was originally surveyed to go through Courtenay, has been changed and the right-of-way has been bought for the road to run from Jamestown to Wimbleton and on to

Winnipeg, Canada. The business men look forward to this railroad as a valuable asset for the town, and are very much in hopes that it may be a division point, and the indications are that it may be. There is probably not another town in the state, the size of Wimbleton, that has so much capital and where the business concerns of the place are on so firm and solid a foundation.

The educational facilities are unsurpassed, the high school furnishes a complete high school course. The manual training, domestic science and agricultural department furnishing exceptional educational advantages for people who are in position to take advantage of it and has been a strong drawing card to induce people with families to move there and make their homes. Nearly all the lodges are represented, the Masons, the M. W. A., Workman, Odd Fellows and several others furnish lodge accommodations for most any one who is interested in lodge work. Nearly all the churches are represented at Wimbleton; Catholic, Presbyterian, Methodist, German Lutheran, and German Reform, furnishing an opportunity for everyone to worship in their own church. It is a noticeable thing that all churches are working together in peace and harmony with a view to building up the spiritual welfare of the city. Wimbleton has two strong substantial banks, a good weekly newspaper, the Wimbleton News, is published weekly and has been an active factor in the business development of the town. Several strong firms have acquired the nucleus of their business in Wimbleton. More Bros., of Wimbleton and Fargo, came to Wimbleton and engaged in the hardware business in 1893. Their business has gradually

grown until they have since opened up several branch houses including one in Fargo where they handle a very large line of automobiles, gas tractors and farm implements and hardware. This company is one of the storageset of its kind in the state and doing a general wholesale business in the state. They are very large land owners in North Dakota and have stated that they consider North Da-

real estate business. In 1811, the first year's business showed a sale of 5,320 acres practically all sold to Indiana, Iowa and Illinois farmers who have settled at Wimbleton and are all well satisfied with their investment. This company has spent a great deal of money in advertising and have had printed at their local printing office some booklets and pamphlets setting forth the advan-

be proud of having produced and they speak volumes for the energy of the young men of the town which the band represents.

Spiritwood Lake, a summer resort and probably the nicest fresh water lake in North Dakota, lies ten miles southwest of Wimbleton and many of the people of that place have summer homes on the lake and enjoy all the advantages of the people farther east where lakes are more plentiful.

Wimbleton has just about everything that a progressive, up-to-date little city usually has: Long distance, local and rural telephone system, two banks, eight elevators, three general stores, two hardware stores, two implement establishments, blacksmith shop, livery stable, auto garage and repair shop, meat market, furniture, drug, harness, shoe repair stores and photograph studio, one of the most progressive little weeklies in the state (The News), two hotels, restaurant, two doctors, one waterway and Dennstedt Land Co. Our fire protection deserves commendation. We get our water supply from an artesian well, having a direct pressure of 65 barrels to the inch. The company of local fellows are kept in perfect practice; all this reducing the fire ratio very low. Our progressive people have organized and maintain a live Commercial club, a Woman's Study club and a splendid 40-piece band.

WIMBLETON NEWS.

Nov. 27.—Home Mission week closed with union services in the Methodist church. The subject of the addresses of both Rev. Duden and Rev. Fulton, the latter pastor of the Presbyterian church, was the necessity of a union of all Protestant churches in the mission field. They clearly show-

ed how denominational differences confused the natives and prevented many from accepting the gospel. Rev. Duden as a member of the interdenominational Comity Commission, said that the reason why the churches did not oftener unite in places where the congregations were small was that each denomination wanted its own church.

Several of our young people attended the box social at the Fried school district and reported a merry time.

Mrs. Rothwell and niece, Miss McCully, came in on Saturday evening's train and were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Fox, Mrs. Fox being a sister of Mrs. Rothwell. Miss McCully will visit relatives in Courtenay also. Mrs. Rothwell left on Monday evening for her home in Vancouver, B. C., accompanied by her brother-in-law, Mr. Fox, as she was too ill to continue her visit.

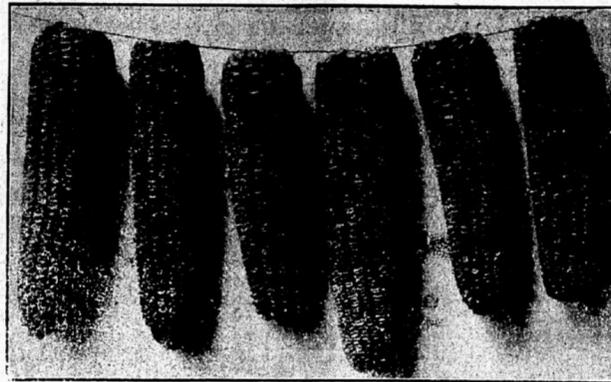
District Supt. Asher held services in the Methodist church on Monday evening. There was a conference of the church officials after services.

Miss Donelda Flewell, daughter of John Flewell, who lives a few miles north of town, will be united in marriage to Mr. Gross of near Fargo on Wednesday of this week. A reception will be held on Thursday evening. Details will be given later.

Mr. and Mrs. James Coney were made happy by the arrival of a son at their home a few days ago.

Mrs. M. E. Coleman returned from Minneapolis the first of the week. While in the city she saw Maurice Maeterlinck's very pretty play, "The Blue Bird." She also attended the land show on Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Robert Flewell is still very low. Drs. Caldwell and Pray, the latter of Valley City, have little hopes of her recovery.



SOME EARS OF BARNES COUNTY CORN.

kota farm lands their very best investment and also attribute a large share of their wealth to their investments in North Dakota lands.

Another firm that is doing a great deal for Wimbleton is the Dennstedt Land company. The Dennstedt Bros. are old residents of Wimbleton, having been engaged in the general merchandise business for many years; but they closed that out two years ago and have since been engaged in the

tages of Wimbleton; they will have been doing a great deal of good if they are properly circulated.

Another institution in Wimbleton that should receive proper mention is the band. This organization has over forty pieces and are playing high grade difficult music and have at various times filled important engagements over the state, and have always given excellent satisfaction. They are an organization that any town might



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