

full line of fresh, salt and cured meats as well as fish, oysters and game in season. Mr. Downe is classed with the foremost business men of this city and his standing is of the very best.

H. H. BATEMAN.

No more important business is to be found in any town or city than a well regulated drug store presided over by a competent pharmacist. Mr. H. H. Bateman has conducted a drug store here for the past eight years and is well and favorably known. He carries a large and complete stock of pure drugs and chemicals, proprietary medicines, druggist's sundries, toilet articles, perfumes, rubber goods and the endless array of small articles found in all first-class drug stores. Mr. Bateman gives his personal attention to the compounding of prescriptions exercising the most discriminating care and intelligence in this department. By liberal dealing, courteous treatment of customers and close attention to the wants of the trade Mr. Bateman has built up a large and increasing business.

WM. STRINGER.

The harness and horse furnishing establishment conducted by the above gentleman is not only a credit to himself, but to the city as well. Mr. Stringer is a workman of skill and ability and all work turned out from his shop is fully warranted. He manufactures harness and leather goods of all kinds and his shop is a complete repository of harness, saddles, whips, robes, combs and turf goods and horse owners hereabout have superior facilities for the purchase of everything that goes to properly or attractively clothe or adorn a horse. Mr. Stringer uses nothing but the best of all kinds of material and his goods are all shop made, and at prices as low as the best grade of harness goods can be sold for. He makes a specialty of fine repair work and his reputation in this line is more than local and brings him trade from a distance. Mr. Stringer has made his home in this town for fourteen years, having been engaged in the harness trade here since 1891. He is a leading citizen of Cooperstown and a business man of high standing here.

HAMMER-CONDY COMPANY.

From the farmers point of view the first in importance among the business interests of a town or city is the implement house. Here the farmer buys all of his implements used in planting, cultivating, harvesting and threshing his crops as well as his wagons and buggies. It is of vital interest to him that he deal with a reliable company handling the best grade of implements and selling them at a reasonable price. Among the different dealers engaged in this line in Griggs county a prominent place must be accorded the Hammer-Condy Company. This business was established by Mr. H. P. Hammer and Mr. G. H. Condy some eighteen years ago, and later was incorporated under its present name. This firm carries a large and complete line of all kinds of implements and machinery used on the farm, including threshers and engines, binders, mowers, rakes, plows, harrows, seeders, wagons and buggies of the best makes. All implements sold by this firm are also strictly upon merit and will prove just as represented, and at prices as low as high grade implements can be sold for. The reputation of this company for fair and honorable dealing with customers is well established and brings them trade from far and near. The officers of this company are all well known business men of high personal standing, and are as follows: H. P. Hammer, president; E. S. Hamilton, vice president; and W. H. Butler, secretary and treasurer.

CUSSONS MILLING COMPANY.

The mill operated by the above company is a splendid example of what has been accomplished in the milling profession during the last few years. This plant was erected 1897, and three years ago it passed into the hands of the present proprietors and is equipped with the most modern improved machinery and has a daily capacity of 75 barrels of flour in addition to mill stuffs. Their "Macaroni Flour" is especially adapted to family use and is highly recommended by bakers and other experts, and when they put "Cussons Hard Wheat Flour" on a sack it may be depended upon that none better is made. This mill is the chief enterprise of Cooperstown and pays out large sums of money for wages, taxes and running expenses besides affording a home market for grain. It is a factor in supporting the schools and city and dealers and users of flour should see to it that the Cussons brand is on every sack of flour handled or used. This company also handles rye flour, corn meal and feed, doing custom and merchant milling, and handle wood and coal.

GULL RIVER LUMBER CO.

One of the most essential branches of business necessary in building up a town or community is a first-class lumber yard. Such a yard is found in Cooperstown in the yard operated by the Gull River Lumber Co. This yard is the pioneer lumber yard of Cooperstown and was established some eighteen years ago, and the reputation of this company for fair and honorable dealing with customers is more than local and brings them trade from a wide area. They carry a large and complete stock of lumber, lath, shingles, door, sash, and all kinds of building material and fence post. They also handle coal and are prepared to fill all orders, large or small. Mr. Charles Gillespie is manager of the yard. He is a gentleman of wide experience in the business and is courteous and accommodating and enjoys the full confidence of his customers.

A well known business firm on a busy thoroughfare of this city is that of Thompson Bros., the well known merchants. This firm is composed of T. G. and T. A. Thompson, two of our foremost business men. They commenced business here some six years ago and by fair and honorable dealing with customers they have built up a large and growing trade. Their stock consists of a full and complete line of dry goods, ladies' and gents' furnishing goods, clothing of the best makes and latest styles, and a fine line of shoes. Also they carry a large and complete stock of staple and fancy groceries, canned goods, fruits, flour, produce and provisions and their prices are as low as good goods can be sold for. They handle the famous "Home Brand" groceries, which need no recommend from us as this brand is popular wherever introduced. This store can be safely recommended to the favorable consideration of the buying public.

A. RHODES.

This gentleman has been engaged in the windmill and pump business here for the past three years and enjoys the lion's share of the trade. Mr. Rhodes carries a full line of pumps, pipe, fixtures, windmills, threshing machine supplies, including engines and separators and is prepared to supply anything in his line promptly and at prices as low as is consistent with good business principles. He also manufactures tanks of all kinds to order, having a complete shop for such work. Everything sold by this gentleman is sold on merit and is guaranteed to prove as represented. In addition to a large local trade Mr. Rhodes does an extensive outside business. He is a public spirited citizen and is always willing to help along with any public enterprise.

E. W. BLACKWELL.

Lumber has its history and like all histories has its various chapters. It opens with the primeval forests and the woodman's ax and ends in the homes of civilized man. It is the prime factor in the building world and the industry has afforded an avenue of trade for a lot of men who are typical hustlers. Prominent among this class will be found Mr. E. W. Blackwell of this city. Mr. Blackwell has made his home in this county for the past twenty years and was for many years identified with the lumber trade. Last spring he opened his present yard and has built up a splendid trade. He carries a full line of lumber and all kinds of building material including lath, shingles, doors, windows, lime, cement, etc. He also handles coal and wood and his facilities for filling large or small orders are the best while his prices are always right. Mr. Blackwell is a foremost business man of this city and a public spirited citizen, well and favorably known.

R. S. LUNDE.

It is an admitted fact that the safest, soundest and most secure investments are those properly placed in real estate. Griggs county North Dakota is a most favorable field for the profitable employment of capital at the present time. In connection we wish to direct attention to Mr. R. S. Lunde, one of the leading real estate dealers operating in this section of the state. Mr. Lunde has been identified with the real estate business here for the past twelve years and his reputation for fair and upright dealing is well established and brings him business from a distance. He does a general real estate business, buys and sells property, makes first mortgage farm loans at the lowest prevailing rates of interest, writes insurance in the leading companies, does conveyancing and looks after property for non-residents. He has for sale some of the finest farming lands in this section of the state and he is in a position to give long time and low rates of interest on deferred payments. Mr. Lunde is reliable and trustworthy and all dealings with him prove mutually satisfactory.

JESSIE.

Jessie is a thriving trading point on the Cooperstown branch eight miles northwest of Cooperstown, and has three general stores, one hardware store, one barber shop, one machinery firm, one hotel, one lumber and coal yard, two wood yards, three elevators, one feed mill, one livery and feed stable, and one real estate dealer.

Among the improvements going on at present is the erection of a commodious school house and a fine dwelling house. A church is to be erected in the near future.

The following surplus produce was shipped during the past year:

Cattle, head.....	400
Sheep, ".....	1,000
Hogs, ".....	60
Wheat, bushels.....	166,000
Flax, ".....	51,000
Rey, ".....	7,500
Barley, ".....	5,000
Butter, pounds.....	5,500
Eggs, dozens.....	7,200
Hides, pounds.....	6,000

Jessie is assured a steady growth in the future, for as the country tributary becomes more thickly settled and better developed the business of the place will largely increase.

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How to Cure Corns and Bunions.

First, soak the corn or bunion in warm water to soften it; then pare it down as closely as possible without drawing blood and apply Chamberlain's Pain Balm twice daily, rubbing vigorously for five minutes at each application. A corn plaster should be worn a few days to protect it from the shoe. As a general liniment for sprains, bruises, lameness and rheumatism, Pain Balm is unequalled. For sale by Bateman & Co.