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#### Wheat Transportation.

The COURIER has been requested to define its position on the movement originating (this season) in Valley City in regard to the handling and shipment of grain.

We have got no "buncombe" with which to catch the gudgeons at this or any other time, and will briefly review the situation from what we believe to be a disinterested standpoint.

This last agitation might have occurred at any time during the last five years. The statute passed in 1879 by the territorial legislature renders the position of the producer more secure, against the usurpation of power by the carrier than at any time prior in the history of the territory. The statute, section 28, chapter xlvi, session laws of 1879, reads as follows:

as follows: All railroad corporations organized under the provisions of this act, and all persons or corpora-tions operating a railroad in this territory, who shall receive or transport grain in bulk or other-wise, shall deliver the same to any consignee thereof, or any elevator or public warehouse to on said road, and shall receive grain for shipment from any elevator or public warehouse situated pon or adjacent to any station or depot ground of such railroad. Provided Such consignee, or the elevator or public warehouse can be conveniently such railroad. Trovided Such consignee, elevator or make the corporations of person shall permit connections to be made with their track so that such consignee, elevator or warehouse can be conveniently reached by the however. That such corporation or person: Provided, however. That such corporation or person shall not be required to pay the cost of making and maintaining such connection, or of the siding or with track necessary to make the same.

The law relating to common carriers obtains, and always has, in Dakota as elsewhere where the common law is actment, although the general statute was doctored by the corporations in 1879, and should be restored by this legisla-ture. The secret of this agitation at the measure time if secret if is is not in new

extortions by the railroad companies; pete against the elevators. but rather in the low price of wheat itself, the world over, weighed against gold. The railroad companies are not to blame for the low price of wheat; they conductively and the self of the state logs. The remedy is by building warehouses, is pointly or severally, at the established staticns of the railroad company, and the conditions are not building warehouses. The remedy is by building warehouses, is pointly or severally, at the established the conditions are not building warehouses. The remedy is by building warehouses

and pay fair prices for wheat. But the competition is open to public warehousemen, at this moment, if they will avail themselves of the law. Barnes & Magill have not the exclusive right to per, Com. Cooper presiding. erect and operate elevators in this coun-

try. The Lenhams, when they concluded to go into the wheat business. Lenham E. & L. Co., lumber for demanded their rights, as opposed to Barnes & Magill, and the Northern Pacific could not refuse them. Again Lenham E. & L. Co., coulee

Cooper Bros. demanded their rights, as opposed to the Lenhams, at Cooperstown, and obtained them. The elevators of the Lenhams and Coopers cost cost-say \$7,500. There is no restriction on A., B. and C. erecting elevators or Cooper Bros., timber for Goldwarehouses in Cooperstown or any other point to cost \$1,000. The refusal of Northern Pacific officials to permit eleva-tors to be erected costing the same unless amount as those already in operation, is other point to cost \$1,000. The refusal of

amount as those already in operation, is simply a piece of bulldozing which the company can be cured of in the courts. ompany can be cured of in the courts. In regard to "public" there is a serious uestion whether it is politic for the ment on steam heating appaquestion whether it is politic for the welfare of any country to compel the carrier to handle grain outside of elevators and warehouses, and public elevators or warehouses at that. The grain business is vast in Dakota, the company is not prosperous (if it is, its preferred stock can be bought for fifty cents on the dollar), and it should certainly be allowed some latitude as to how it shall handle the product of the country

as regards economy and convenience, as

The COURIER enjoys a pass over the Northern Pacific, for which it pays perhaps full value in advertising; the editor has raised wheat for five years, and had two hundred acres of grain this season which did not pay expenses; but he will To C. C. Piatt, tax erroneously ashas raised wheat for five years, and had which did not pay expenses; but he will try to keep his coat on, and give the

everyone who will erect warehouses. No license is required for hawking dry known, urrespective of this special en- goods, groceries, boots and shoes upon actment, although the general statute our streets, yet nobody firds it profitable

present time, if secret it is, is not in new profitably, or the curbstone buyer com-Martin Robinson, use of polling

## **Commissioners' Proceedings.** Met Dec. 3, 1884, at 2 p. m., in accordance with adjournment.

Present, Messrs. Halverson and Coo-On motion ordered that the following bills be allowed, viz:

pile driver.....\$ 1 35 Lenham E. & Lumber Co., coal.. 100 00 bridge lumber..... 73 Lenham E. & L Co., coulee bridge lumber. ..... 11 Ole Halverson, labor on bridge 26-146-58..... 2 66 thrite bridge..... 8 05 for bridge 36-148-59..... 406 22 Gull River Lumber Co., lumber

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Convened December 10, 1884, at 2 p. m., in accordance with adjournment. Present, Coms. Cooper and Halver-

son, Com. Cooper presiding. On motion ordered that the proposi-tion of John Lloyd to clean the court

as regards economy and convenience, as well as rapidity. If the law allows no monopoly in public warehouses and ele-vators, (and it is not disputed that the present law does not), it would seem that the present agitation should be di-recte i towards the courts, rather than the legislature, although the law relating to carriers will stand some medicine. The Counter enjoys a pass over the o'clock m.

On motion ordered that the following

abatements be granted, viz: To C. C. Piatt, tax erroneously

sessed upon improvements upon the n  $\frac{1}{2}$ , n e  $\frac{1}{4}$ , 13-145-58, for 1884, \$1.58.

devil his due. If the law is enforced, On motion ordered that a refunding order be issued to A. B. Richardson for Violation for the second secon

Joseph Bartlett, for road poll tax for 1884. \$1.50.

house The question of grades can no more E. W. Haggerty, road work in

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the conditions are not burdensome. If this is not permitted, enforce the law, rather than have additional statutes passed which shall likewise be dead letviewer. T. O. Skattebo, extra painting at

What is an Absolute Fact? JULIUS STEVENS That for thirty days from December 1st you can buy Goods at prices never before heard of in Dakota: For \$1 you can buy 12 pounds of the best granulated new mess pork; 16 bars Kirk's or Bab-bitt's soan 20 bars to bars bitt's soap, 20 bars hard water soap; 13 Ibs choice prunes; 3 cans (gallon cans) apples. Arbuckle's coffee, 18 cts per lb. That Covey & Brown have an important announcement to make next week which will paralyze wholesale dealers,

and bring joy to the heart of every poor, distressed farmer who has wheat on hand worth 50 cents a bushel, and httle money with which to buy his winter groceries, dry goods and clothing. Delays are dangerous, but not when you

await an announcement from Covey & Brown, the square dealers of Sanborn; for thereby, if your purchases are large enough, you accumulate a small fortune by saving what you would otherwise excend. expend.

#### Clothing, Clothing.

We will sell you clothing cheaper than it was ever sold in the United States; we mean what we say. Bowden & Buck.

Flour from Fargo. Flour from Valley City. Flour II... Feed from Minneapolis, Fargo, Valley City and Sanborn. DAVIS & PICKETT.

The sale for delinquent taxes for 1883, of the south half and northeast quarter of section 3, township 144, range 56, adjourned to October 8, A. D. 1884, at 9 a. m., by order the district court. ANTON ENGER,

Treasurer of Griggs County. To Davis & Pickett sell flour at

the Popular Prices?

Of course they do. Don't break your neck to get past their store. They can sell your the best grades at the following prices for cash and cash only:

The Casselton Reporter has a neat new head.

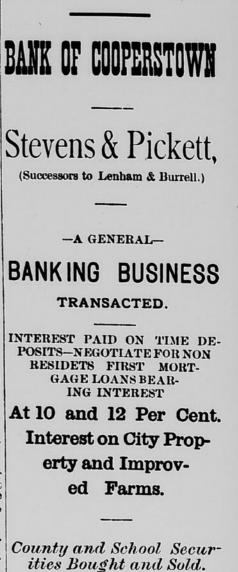
Cysters in bulk, fresh every second day, at Whidden Bros.

Wm. Glass loans money for final proof, and on titled land. 50tf.

Go in and feast your eyes on the beautiful line of holiday goods at the New Store. Bowden & Buck.

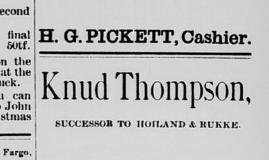
By Buy your sugar where you can buy it the cheapest, but go to John Syverson & Co.'s for your Christmas 3 00 28 00 goods.

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF-Land office at Fargo



Insurance written in the best companies at reasonable rates. A large amount

of city property, together with improved and unimproved farms for sale. Send for



cannot very well make a pint measure hold a quart.

The amendments to this statute, proposed at the Valley City meeting, demonstrate that the only quarrel the movers have with the statute is because "in bulk" is not inserted in the instrument after "grain;" "sidetrack" is not mentioned, and the warehouse spoken of is "public." such as declaring where its stations shall be, which the farmer can not serior every portion of the right of way. should be, at the option of A., B. or C., a shipping point, would result in inexplicable confusion and inconvenience. Carrying out this idea to a logical seguence, it would be impossible to maintain and operate railroads safely, econ- etc., at Whidden Bros. omically, and to afford that rapid transportation which the public demand. the fort on holiday goods. The carrier's own interests, is the best The carrier's own interests, is the best guide to the arrangement of its shipping Lenham Elevator & Lumber Co. points, and only in extreme cases should the carrier be interfered with in naming trade. Come and see us them.

The proposed amendment, "in bulk," Another lot of ready made clothing is not necessary, if the repealed portion just opened, at Whidden Bios. of the general statute in regard to common carriers is re-enacted as before 1879; are first-class. "without such re-enactment we believe the law is strong enough to obviate the necessity of such an amendment.

The real grievance, if grievance there be in the deficiencies of the special statute, lies in the term "public." as descriptive of warehouses, which our Valley City friends think should be Whidden Bros. Valley City friends think should be our Valley City friends would extend no other. Popular prices. the competitive privilege to everybody who would build a warehouse. This just received two car loads of the finest could not result disastrously to the brands of flour made by roller process, farmer, even if it did not amount to will sell the same to farmers buying will sell the same to farmers buying much-some farmers would avail them-selves of their privileges-the large ma-jority would not Theorem with the selves of their privileges and the large majority would not. There would be a

pressure on the elevators to grade fairly Whidden Bros. for 10 cents.

lers, although the law relating to carriers will bear revision.

We are informed that some officials connected with the Northern Pacific, are desirous of discontinuing a daily train on this branch at an early day. The carrier probably has some rights. We believe that this will be a bad thing for the road and people. The road will block, and the people will need freight ously question. That every man's farm, and passenger transportation, more than ever before, in the winter season.

Episcopal services at the church this have, and when they offer you pork at (Friday) evening. All are invited.

Wood pumps for \$6, at A. N. Adams'. Fall and winter knit goods, yarns,

We must say, the New Store holds

We are all ready for the harvest

DAVIS & PICKETT.

We are long on shorts, and they re first-class. DAVIS & PICKETT. Feed of all descriptions at popular prices at Geo. W. Greenleese & Co.'s.

We will not be undersold in North Dakota. Lenham Elevator & Lumber Co.

omitted. That is, the law leaves wheat handling and shipping open to competi-tion among public warehousemen, and ow Valley City friends model of the first from No. 1 hard wheat always in stock. Buy

Genuine Henry Clay cigars at

court house ..... R. M. Cowen, agent, freight on bridge piles, 36-148-59. 58 67 On motion adjourned until Dec. 20,

1834, at 2 p. m. ROLLIN C. COOPER, Chairman. HERBERT P. SMART, Clerk.

Whidden Bros. have in stock and ready for sale, everything they advertise. They do not attemp to defraud the people of Griggs county by offering

goods they never had or never expect to

\$15.50 per barrel they intend to sell it to you for that price, and won't take you into a corner, show you one-half a bar-rel (the full stock of some houses) and tell you they will have more in a day or two two.

We are not giving away neither goods nor money, but will at all times sell you goods as cheap as you can buy them elsewhere, quality of goods to be considered, John Syverson & Co.

Lumber Co.

French China Tea sets, Vases of new and elegant designs, and a large variety of Fancy Glassware are a few of the many things just received at John Syverson & Co.'s.

We propose selling you fur coats lower than the lowest, and our first lot of 20 coons, dog, and buffalo coats are open for inspection, which means a sale when compared with anything else in the market. Whidden Bros.

with the crazy sign.

We have for sale a few good farm work horses. Davis & Pickett.

flour in the world. Greenleese & Co. have just received a car of flour from the Fargo Roller mill.

must be sold soon. Knud Thompson. office.

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D. T. Dec. 15, 1884.
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and secure final entre thereof on the 28th day of January 1885. viz:
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And you, Charles O. Hulberg, who filed D. S. No 11,498 on the 7th day of Oct. 1882, on lot three of said section, are hereby notified to be and appear before the United States land office, Fargo. D. T., on the 28th day of Jan., 1885, and show cause, if any you have, why said Warren J. Weatherbee should not be allowed to make final proof and payment for said land. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. Wm. Glass, attorney. 48-1

Wm. Glass, attorney.

Notice of FINAL Phoop--Land Office at Fargo, D. T. Dec. 11. 1884. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and secure final entry thereof on the 21st day of January, 1885, viz: Sven K. Norgaard. D. S. No. 9,672, for the southeast quarter of sec. 14, tp 146 n, 758 w, and names the following as his wit-nesses, viz: Anton Enger, C. P. Balkan. Thore S. Serungard, Omind Nelson, all of Coopers-town, Griggs county, D. T. The testimony to be taken before John N. Jor-gensen. clerk of the district court, at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 17th day of January A. D. 1885, at his office. HORACE AUSTIN, Register.

them elsewhere, quality of goods to be considered, John Syverson & Co. If Young man. if you have a girl you want to "hold," get her one of those handsome christmas cards at Bowden & Buck's. If We are receiving lumber of every description daily. Lenham Elevator & Lumber Co.

Notice of Final Proof.—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Dec. 11, 1884. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and secure final entry thereof on the 21st day of January, 1885, viz: John O. Strome, D. S. No. 9,464. for the southwest quarter of sec. 12, tp 144 n, r59 w, and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Nels Hemingson, Ole O. Kanrstad, Carl Skarie, Ole J. Strome, all of Coo-nerstown. Griggs county, D. T.

Iver Jacobeon, attorney.
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Are as low as those of any responsible firm furnishing goods of like quality, and are made to accord with the times. We have secured such machines as will give satisfaction, and should like all persons desirous of buying machinery to call upon us at

Cooperstown, Griggs County, Dakota.

KNUD THOMPSON.

Kaarsina, Carl Skarle, Ole J. Strome, all of Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T.
 The testimony to be taken before John N. Jorgensen, clerk of district court, at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 17th day of Jan., A. D. 1885, at his office.

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