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We pay the Highest Market Price All the Time  
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Almont, North Dakota

This bank has the organization and  
the connections to enable it to be of  
service to every one within its terri-  
tory and on these grounds solicits  
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**We make farm loans.**

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you try our market you will continue to trade  
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We are dealers in all kinds of building mat-  
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Almont, N. Dak

## THE NEW YEAR.

Each morning sees a new year  
just begun.  
Each evening fades into its closing  
dream:  
So live that thru the busy toil of  
the life  
Each day becomes a glad new year.  
II.  
Count not your days by numbers  
as before,  
But in this way, 'e'en 'midst the  
daily strife,  
That falling darkness ends the di-  
urnal Past,  
That ambient dawn begins a grand  
new life.  
III.  
Thus ever onward, into the  
world unknown,  
Project your thoughts, by faith your  
actions steer:  
So live that when you fall asleep  
on earth,  
In heaven you'll wake to spend a  
GLAD NEW YEAR!

THE ARENA

## Almont Local Items.

The Arena is in receipt of a very  
pretty calendar that is being dis-  
tributed by the Almont State Bank  
to their customers over this part of  
the country. The illustration upon  
it is a night scene in winter and the  
artist, H. Linder has very ably pro-  
trayed the landscape. In fact it is  
so natural that one can almost feel  
the presence of the snow and see  
the slowly rising moon cast its vic-  
gure reflections over the ice and  
snow.

**FARM INSURANCE.** Lowest  
Rates. Special features.

**FARMERS STATE BANK**

Dick Moss returned home last  
week from Des Moines, Iowa, after  
a holiday visit to relatives.

Granite ware at half price at J.  
R. Sherwood's.

Now that the holidays are over  
the boys of the grip are to be seen  
making their way through the towns  
in search of new business. Several  
of these travelers were in Almont  
this week.

Miss Ruth Sherwood who has  
been spending two weeks vacation  
from her duties as teacher of the  
Westfield school, in this place will  
return to that burg this Friday.

John Timmerman who has been  
spending his vacation with his par-  
ents in this place, returned to his  
studies at the Dakota Business  
College, Fargo, last Saturday.

Miss M. Gillis who has been tel-  
ler in the Almont State Bank for  
the past several months, has sever-  
ed her connection with that insti-  
tution. What her plans for the fu-  
ture are have not been given out.

Miss Ruth Sherwood was a Man-  
dan visitor the first of this week.  
She returned to her father's home  
yesterday.

School will open Monday next  
after a two week's vacation.

Arthur Nelson was a Dickinson  
visitor the first of the week. He  
has accepted a position with the  
Rumely Thresher Company, but as  
yet has not decided upon the terri-  
tory where he will be located.

A certain element of the people  
of Mandan is not thoroly enjoying  
the Sunday restrictions recently  
placed upon the business firms of  
that city. Also some of the alleged  
dealers in hop juice are feeling sore  
because Attorneys Heffron and  
Zuger have been making trouble  
with the purveyors of the ambient  
fluid which made a city famous  
and many people infanous.

## Hanley for Speaker

Morton County Man To Hold  
Important Position at  
Bismarck.

Republican Members in Caucus  
Decide for Able Young Legisla-  
tor from This County. He Is  
Well Pitted for The Place.

Hon. J. M. Hanley of this county  
has been decided upon by the  
republican members of the House  
in a caucus recently held at Bis-  
marck, for Speaker. There were  
several other candidates for this  
position of honor, but of all of the  
men in the field, the Morton coun-  
ty man possessed the qualifications  
to a greater degree than others, to  
efficiently fill and satisfactorily  
perform the duties of the position.  
There seems to be considerable  
satisfaction thruout the county to  
have this much coveted honor fall  
to one of its sons. Those who are  
the most intimately acquainted  
with Mr. Hanley say if elected to  
the Speakership, he will 'deliver  
the goods.'

William Nolan of Heart passed  
thru this burg for Mandan, last  
week to stand trial for assault and  
battery upon the person of C. S.  
Van Dyke, and after a few witness-  
es had been heard in the case, Judge  
Hanke dismissed it and gave the  
defendant a discharge of health.

It is alleged that the defendant  
in the suit met Van Dyke several  
weeks ago and a rough and tumble  
fight ensued, and the latter receiv-  
ed the worst of the deal. Warrants  
were issued and the matter has drag-  
ged along for some time until the  
last week, when it came to trial.  
The defendant had a petition from  
all his neighbors petitioning the  
court to take cognizance of the fact  
that he had always been a peace-  
able and law abiding citizen prior  
to the time of the alleged assault.

## Wedding Bells.

Wednesday last, at the home of  
the bride's sister, Mrs. M. Bohran  
of New Salem, and in the presence  
of a few immediate friends of the  
contracting parties, Miss Minnie  
Just and Mr. Charles Gilmar were  
united in bonds of matrimony by  
the Rev. Mr. Fontaine.

Mrs. Gilmar is the daughter of  
Fred Just of New Salem, and will  
be remembered by Almont people  
as having made her home with Mrs.  
B. C. Bird a great deal of the time  
during the last three years. Mr.  
Gilmar is one of Morton county's  
prosperous farmers and is well  
known in this vicinity.  
Immediately after the ceremony  
the happy couple came to Almont  
and spent Wednesday evening at  
the home of B. C. Bird, and the  
next morning left for their new  
home near Elgin where they will  
begin housekeeping at once.  
All join in wishing the happy  
couple a prosperous voyage upon  
the sea of matrimony, again in  
wishing them a happy and prosper-  
ous New Year.

## Bids Wanted.

Bids Will be received by the Al-  
mont Co-Operation Creamery As-  
sociation at the Farmers State Bank  
until noon January 7th, 1911 for  
the filling and packing of their ice  
house at Almont North Dakota.  
Bids will be received either by  
the job or by the ton. Ice house to be  
well filled.

Board of Directors

## Sick Room Supplies.

Starting out with a new STOCK of drugs and  
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Our Drugs Are PURE and we permit no substi-  
tution in the Prescription Department.

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to get here either by day or night. We carry every  
thing in the way of Supplies and these are of the best  
material obtainable.

We are here to please you at all times.

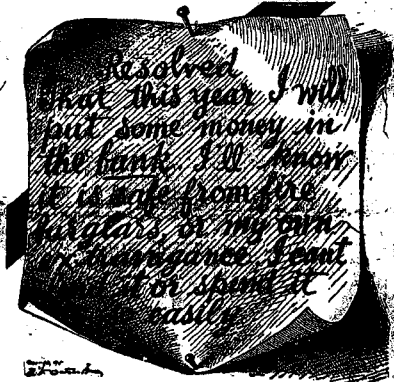
Yours Respectfully,

**Almont Pharmacy.**

J. W. Hurley, Prop. Almont, No. Dakota

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M. Gilja, Teller.

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with

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**Wishing your New Year full  
of Peace & Prosperity, we are**

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The Arena - \$1.50 a Year.

# Celebrate the New Year's Day is its imprisonment worse than death?



In France Grand-parents Sit in State to Receive the Children



There are times when a high... is its imprisonment worse than death?

IT HAS not been so many years ago that even young people cannot remember when New Year's day brought hosts of warm friends to exchange greetings and good wishes for the coming twelve months. Just why the custom of ladies receiving and men calling has fallen into disuse is a long story and not a very pleasant one.

Hostesses offered wine, eggnog and all sorts of drinks to soften the severity of out-door, to their men guests; a different sort of partner of each house soon set brains in a whirl and manners suffered. The hospitality was abused; gentle ladies, outraged by having to receive men so far under the influence of liquor that names even were forgotten.

So, of course, the matter rectified itself, as all such things will after a while. Women ceased to keep "open houses" when men ceased to appreciate the honor shown by their reception; warm, softly lighted rooms by a bed of fair women, daintily powdered and happy to extend greetings for the New Year.

But I have noted that in many cases the old-time custom is reviving; charming women are again welcoming their men friends, but not with a variety of intoxicating liquors to steal away the wits of propriety. It is not necessary that can "look upon the wine when it is red" and partake of just enough. Better, then, to offer nothing stronger than hot coffee, or to those whom one knows well the foaming glass of well-made eggnog, that will not leave remorse along with a splitting headache the next morning.

This may not mean what it does bring, but where possible "the dead past bury its dead," and grieve not over the mistakes of 1919. If they can be rectified, let them be so; if not, waste no vain regrets over what cannot be helped, but determine that exactly such mistakes shall not happen again.

Because what is experience for it not to teach? Hard and seemingly without any feeling of pity, experience is indeed the school for fools; and yet we do not learn. Like the instinctive mind of the active child who does all sorts of things, nobody on earth ever thought of as possible, we mortals are learning something every day. We have been burned into our souls by the not-to-be-forgotten lesson of going into troubles anew, quite differently.

It is not in the making of good resolutions, but the determination to do the right thing, that our best course lies for this new year, that brings again the chance of a new escape consequence; let us accept them without hesitations, and never so hard in the enduring as in the fleeting.

And, first of all, let us all decide, deep down in the inmost recesses of our hearts, that our own failings are quite as those of our fellow-creatures. This in itself is so very worth while. To say, "I would not do so and so" is to mean that you know nothing about it; you do not know what you would do if you were situated as was the perpetrator of the very thing you are condemning.

Make allowances for temperament, for environment, for ancestry, for lack of education, for the lines that perhaps you have been fortunate in traversing. Say to yourself, "Perhaps I should have done such and such." You will have reached the heights of understanding of the frailties of human nature and be prepared to make whom you have associated, and all with the new year better for yourself and all with the week after the Holy Babe came.

Where a guest is quite sure of the congeniality of her business, she can plan nothing more agreeable than the "watch party" for New Year's eve.

First, of course, there can be cards or dancing or music, or all three, with other diversified methods of entertaining, but as the hour of midnight draws near all assemble in one room. This view should have two doors to one room. This view should have two doors to one room. This view should have two doors to one room.



The Wassail Bowl

is served before the midnight hour, but the "wassail bowl" is left for the last, and the hostess leads the way to a room where it may be enjoyed.

There should be a table in the middle of the floor and an open fire grate to the proper preparing and serving. Apples are roasted to go into the bowl that should be ready upon the table, and glasses or cups that may be retained as souvenirs by guests are all made ready.

The genuine "wassail" is prepared as follows: according to a recipe that is centuries old, half an ounce each cardamom, ginger, nutmeg and half an ounce each cinnamon and cardamom seeds in a couple of tumblerfuls of water; add to this half a gallon best ale and a quart of sherry wine, with sugar to taste; a pound or two will be needed. Heat again, but do not boil. Have the yokes of ten eggs and the whites of six beaten and put them first into the bowl; then slowly add the heated mixture, stirring slowly all the while; leave the other half of the liquor where it will come to a boil and add; lastly put in a dozen or more of whole and fine apples that have been cored, sliced with sugar and roasted.

The boiling of spices may be done beforehand, the ale and wine ready, the eggs beaten and the apples roasted when a hostess brings her guests into the room to partake.

The Japanese, quaint, resourceful and quiet Oriental that they are, understand beauty better than we; they do not furnish rooms with all sorts of things to keep in order, with heavy curtains to keep out the fresh air and valve-covered doors to catch dust from every source.

So the hostess who is hospitable as well as most effective ways of entertaining. Cherry blossoms, "the flowers of Japan," are to be had in paper, so perfect in form and color as to be mistaken for the real; cups and saucers for the evening tea, the favored drink of the little, nice Japanese women; but what she really cares to say for them; some cost just what she can afford to pay for them; characteristic as others worth several dollars the dozen.

And then the fans, and the parasols, and the chrysanthemums; the dainty cushions, the pretty kimonos, with the big blue and red in the middle of the back—all these are distinctive and neatly compassed by the hostess of moderate means.

Every library has a list of books from which many curious and interesting may be selected. In which natives and the ubiquitous tourist are carried to and fro, with the strong, if small, voice of the hostess, may be provided for the amusement of guests. In these, if carried out, another, short journey from a province to the empire of Japan with decorations of the most elaborate kind.

Everywhere possible Japanese lanterns may be obtained, and these, such as fans, parasols, etc., may be provided for the amusement of guests. Not more than six or seven, or there will be a crowd of them in his hand, but if he has these things over his little table, and each player may have so many counted out in the beginning of the game.

On one side of the seven is to be laid a six of the same suit; on the other side an eight.



The Old Year's Passing Out and New Coming In

A player who cannot build on one of these two must pay in a chip. Pretty trifles, Japanese characters, should be the prizes.

France, sweets can be had at any first-class grocery, and remember that tea served by the Japanese is made in each cup, and the cups are very tiny. They are lovely souvenirs, first day of January may be considered as emblematic of the happiest.

So it is that in some countries, notably France, the day is observed differently; all the younger members of families pay their respects to the older ones; grandparents all in state to receive the children, and each of the bonbons or flowers to the reserved elder ones.

It is such a pretty fashion; one the American mother might well adopt, in this land where old people are usually snubbed and rebuffed if they venture to express an opinion, so concealed are the youth of today.

The Occidental can learn nothing more worth while from the Oriental than the reverence with which old people are treated in those so-called "heavenly" countries.

Where the Latin races are so much in evidence, as in some of the southern states, this custom holds, and the French families are taken to visit "grand pere" at grand mere" with all possible ceremony. Flowers, either bouquets or growing in small pots, are greatly favored gifts to these venerable old people, who, having fasted of the best life offers, are now passing down hill, with memories ad sweet as their own.

Among pretty growing plants the dwarf peach trees in full blossom are lovely; after the fruit blossoms are gone they leaves appear and the little trees with a few long white-ears.

Only in time of their blossoming are these especially pretty and florists manage to have them ready at this season of the year as gifts.

Where fresh flowers are so expensive, as in most northern climates, a single handsome blossom suffices, and in its stead a box of bonbons may be the gift. In the holy books it is the rosy hands, and presents it with courtesy and delight to the aged ones. Is it not a beautiful custom? And may not all the mothers—and fathers—of little ones see that the dear old ones who may not, probably will not, be with them another year, adopt it with true understanding to the old to be remembered?

I have heard a dear woman say; that among her recollections the most satisfying is the one wherein she gave an aged aunt a cup and saucer on a New Year's day. By the next the dear patient aunt was not with her.

## DYING

Blind and slow—silent and slow. Over the hills in the glistening snow. The old man goes to his final rest. The moon looks down with a pitying eye. The wind sweeps past with a quivering sigh. And means in the leafless tree tops high Like a wailing soul distressed.

Feeble and frail, feeble and frail, Crayed and bent by the northern gale. Yet he falters not by the northern gale. He bears his burden as the driven snow. Of his forehead the scant locks blow. Ah! not a word he says who says no. He is weak and blithe and gay.

Now let him rest, let him rest, The snow for a blanket to cover his breast. And the winds to murmur a dirge. We'll never forget him though brief was his stay. He'll never be much missed in the manly way. And taught us that all things must pass away. And into eternity merge.

## ADMITTED HIS ERROR

One of the present parliamentary apologies was that of an Irish member of the House who described another as "not having even the manners of a pig." At the cry of "Withdraw" he did so. Another made an apology and big to say that the honorable member was the master of a pig—London Chronicle.

THERE are times when a high... is its imprisonment worse than death?

twelve men in the box who would not inflict the death penalty upon you, yet it is the policy of the law to regard a plea of guilty as a home measure of itself a mitigation.

The instinctive, unreasoning horror of mankind regards death as the most severe punishment. This idea is not correct. You are now to receive a sterner punishment. Your victim died but once. You will die a hundred times. You will suffer more on the day you put on your prison clothes than she did in her death.

After that there will be only the hopeless, painful years, from day to day, from month to month, stretching out forever and in agony. In four or five years the eternal solitude and silence will begin to crush in upon you like an iron weight.

"You are so alone now at the thought of saving your life that you don't realize all this. I want you to understand it. You are not sorry yet for your crime. You have only a great self pity."

"There will be few worse men than you in that big prison, but I may say the law has taken its full and ample revenge upon you."

The legal world was shocked and the public was horrified by the plea of Albert A. Patrick, convicted murderer of the millionaire, William Marsh Rice, who demanded death rather than life imprisonment. In a remarkable document he tried to reflect clemency that saved him from the electric chair, giving him life imprisonment in the place of death. His petition recited that, as his principal reason: "Life imprisonment is a far severer punishment than death in any form."

This action of his has no parallel in the court records of the United States. It was a remarkable assertion made by a remarkable criminal.

A Chicago courtroom listened recently to a strange address made by Judge Marcus Kavanaugh. Joseph Waldman, the prisoner at the bar, had pleaded "guilty" to the charge of murder. It was a crime of peculiarly aggravated circumstances. Welcome had driven his wife from home. He followed her to the boarding house of Mrs. Mary McLean and a quarrel ensued. Barred by her aroused indignation of cutting him forever, he drew a revolver and shot her down. In attempting to ease the life of the unfortunate woman Mrs. McLean was killed by a bullet from the desperate's weapon. Moved by the plea of guilty and his appeal for the mercy of the court, the jury fixed Welcome's punishment at life imprisonment.

When the prisoner rose to receive the sentence, Judge Kavanaugh said: "Welcome, you committed a crime, a crime of the most heinous kind. Your punishment is to be more terrible still. When your wife sought to escape you shot her. It was no fault of yours that she lived and that you, in fact, then killed another woman who was making useful work in the world. You could hardly get

in all-silenced-convicted—the world, with one exception, the death penalty is exacted of the murderer and the traitor. Italy is the single exception, but there is really no attempt to secure the commutation of a murderer's sentence in that country. When he is finally sentenced, it is the end, for there is no hope of pardon except in the most undoubted cases of innocence, and thus far the prison gates of that country have never swung open to release a murderer. In America there is always hope so long as there is life.



PROCEEDING TO THE LIFE SENTENCE

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General Blacksmithing, Horse Shoeing, Carriage and wagon repair work, and your old machinery rebuilt. Steam engine repairing, & etc.

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Quick service. - - - Low in price.

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**G. G. Chamberlain.**

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**THE GARDNER**

**LOOK OUT!**

**BARGAINS**

ALMONT, N. D., JAN. 1ST, 1911.

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50 " woolen socks;	42 "
\$1.00 men's overalls	85 "
Men's overshoes	\$1.45
Men's shoes, Four dollar & one half grade	4.00
" Three dollar shoes	2.65
Men's work shirts	.40 "
Heavy woolen shirts	1.87

**Hardware - - - - Hardware**

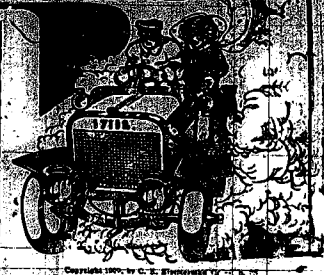
Barbed wire per roll	2.50
Nails per pound	.04
Stove pipe per joint	.18
Galvanized pails, 12 quart capacity,	.29
" " " " " 14 " "	.32
Rope per lb.	.14

We pay highest market prices for butter and eggs. We take farm produce the same as cash.

Come in and get your provisions of us; do not send away for them when you can get goods cheaper at home than sending for them.

Yours for a Square Deal at all times.

We greatly regret that time and space will not allow us to quote you a more extensive list of Money Saving Bargains, but we suggest that you study our ad in the ARENA each week.



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Groceries	Groceries	
17 lbs. granulated sugar.		\$1.00
5 " good bulk coffee		1.00
Tomatoes per can		.12
Corn per can		.11
15 lbs rice		1.00
100 lbs Lyon's Best flour		3.05
100 lbs sugar		5.95
Peaches per lb		.11
Prunes, 50-60 Cal.		.09
Apricots per lb.		.15
Kerosine oil per gal.		.18
" " 5 gal. at a time		.85
10 gal. gasoline		2.00
Gasoline, per gal.		.23
100 lbs shorts		1.40
100 " bran		1.35
Apples per box		1.90

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Have you broken those resolutions you made a few days since? Perhaps you did not make any. If you did not it is not late to do so. And when you are doing it resolve that during 1911, to boost for Almont every day of the year.

The recent cold spell has proven to the most skeptical, the value of the coal deposits to the drought stricken farmers, as well as indirectly to every one in Almont.

1-9-11

Almont, commencing the year, Nineteen-Eleven, notwithstanding the blight of the poor crop of last year, enters the year with not a fear as to the future, but with a firmer determination to make this new year the greatest and best in its history. It knows that many of its most cherished wishes will

only be realized thru hard and the most difficult ways. Many will be abandoned, and others altered; yet thru all these, Almont can and will look back when the story of the year is closed, and see the sum of its accomplishment greater than ever before.

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1910

With our best wishes for 1911

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LOOK out for ad next WEEK.

Yours for business, Fred Holritz and Sons.

1911

Notice of Special Sale

Having purchased the J. P. Casserly Stock of Hardware, and opened up the store, I will offer the entire stock at cost.

This stock consists of Shelf and Heavy Hardware, Paints, Varnish and Oils. Also many other articles of splendid value to be sacrificed at this sale. This sale will give you a rare opportunity, to buy paint for spring painting, at cost. Buy now & save money.

Yours for Business,

J. R. Sherwood, Prop.

ALMONT NEWS NOTES

Gleaned from Here, There and Everywhere. By the Arena Gate-keeper.

Frank Johnson spent a few days at Mandan last week on business.

Win Johnson of Lark was called to Mandan the latter part of last week to testify in an assault and battery suit. He returned by way of this town Saturday and left for home on the first stage.

Postmaster Van Dyke of Heart, transacted some business at the county seat, last week.

C. A. Knutson and Company, from this time forth are to do a strictly cash business, and the saving they will make on bad credits and bookkeeping is to be given to the customer in extremely low prices. Their ad containing some of these new prices will be found in other columns.

Note the change of ad of the Old Reliable Blacksmith shop, this week.

Cashier N. E. Beckland, of the Farmers State Bank, is spending his New Year's holidays in Minneapolis. He is expected home the latter part of the week.

The Merchants hotel will open to the public Sunday next with a grand dinner. To those who wish to see a good hotel maintained in the town a chance is given to help boost it along by patronizing the hotel.

J. S. Sherwood is able to be around again after a rather stiff fight with the grip. All are glad to see him about again.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gilmar were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Bird last Wednesday night. Thursday they left for their home near Elgin.

"Gee, but its cold!" is the most popular expression these days since the beautiful, warm, sunny, summer weather has gone southward.

C. A. Knutson has been quite ill of an attack of lagrippe during the last few days.

Dr. Maercklein of Glen Ullin spent several hours in this place last Thursday, the guest of Dr. G. St. Clair. Dr. Maercklein is trying to dispose of his practise and go in to another location and erect a sanitarium and hospital.

Note the change in J. Nelson and son's ad this week.

Wanted.—1000 new subscribers.—The Arena.

Say, now, how could you better start the New Year to advertise Almont, than to walk-over to the Arena office and send three 3-month subscriptions to some of your friends outside of North Dakota. Please bring \$1.00 and we'll do the rest.

John Frey formerly a merchant of this place arrived here yesterday for a short visit. How long he will remain is not known.

The Farmers State Bank has recently given out one of the prettiest souvenirs that it has been our pleasure to see. It consists of a pair of engraving, entitled, "The Pasture Lane" painted by Fox. High in the foreground a largertree shows in clear detail and the fields in the background recede in perfect perspective. Coming down the lane in the shade of the giant tree can be seen two cows and just back is the form of an elderly man. Still farther back in the picture an old fashioned house such as dot the New England rural districts is shown, nestling in the shade of other trees. All in all it is a beautiful work of art and worthy a place in the best home.

Miss Peterson, a trained nurse, came from Bismarck yesterday and visited friends in this place for a short time before going to her sister's claim, several miles from town.

A Good Relinquishment for sale cheap.

Farmer's State Bank.

Mr. and Mrs. Axel Hanson are the proud parents of a fine big boy which arrived at their home the last day of the year. Both mother and child are doing well. Axel is feeling fine because its a "Boy."

Kerosine Oil 20 cts. at Sherwood. Ole Halverson is slowly convalescing from an attack of Pleurisy.

Flasher Flashes.

Thirty-two relatives of the Rev. Mr. Bosworth, gathered at his home Monday Dec. 26, and held their annual reunion. This event is one of the happiest of the year and coming at this festive time, adds zest to the enjoyment. May they continue to have many more parties of this kind with no vacant chairs to remind them of friends gone on before.

Maudie and Lesta Leonard, who have been spending their vacation at home, left Saturday to take up their studies at the D. B. C.

C. C. Shearer who has been visiting at Delev, N. D. returned home last Wednesday. He reports a pleasant visit to his old home.

During the past week special church meetings have been going on and considerable interest is being manifested in the work.

Last Tuesday, Flasher was visited by the first fire in its history when the butcher shop of Kaiser and Busch was noted on fire by Mr. Berrier who immediately gave the alarm. He also returned to the place with two chemicals and soon the blaze was under control. Damage was slight.

The flasher School library now contains many new volumes and is one of which any school can be proud. The Hustler gives a two column list of the books now in the library. There are now 179 books.

CARSON HUBBINS

Carson Press—Married—At the home of the groom's father, Mr. Fred Voss, Mr. Otto E. Voss and Miss Zola May Towers were on Wednesday Dec. 21st united in the holy bonds of matrimony. Rev. Whitfaut officiating. The ceremony was very quiet only a few of the nearest relatives being present. This marriage was a surprise to all. The newly-weds have commenced housekeeping at the home of the groom north-east of town. The Press joins their many friends in wishing the happy pair a very pleasant voyage on the unknown seas on which they have just embarked.

Mandan News—The Almont Arena is a new publication by the Arena Publishing Company. It is a six-column quarto well edited and carrying a nice advertising patronage. In typographical appearance it is a beauty. We wish the publishers the greatest of success.

From the latest reports emanating from high authorities of the Northern Pacific Railroad company, the branch north from Mandan to Sangor and west will be finished this coming year. So soon as spring opens up work will begin it is alleged.

Serviceable Goods

Not the college styles that run to extremes, but the good every-day stuff that makes you look like men and women that's the kind we sell, and the prices—well you ought to see how low they are, it will surprise you and make you wonder why you haven't been buying your goods here before.

Dry Goods & Notions

The staple lines that every up-to-date store carries will be found on our counters and at prices never before heard of. Take advantage of the reduction in price and save part of your good hard earned money.

Boots & Shoes

The very best in quality, every pair guaranteed to give good satisfaction. We have also a fine line of Ladies and Misses' shoes that will bear investigating.

Fancy Groceries

And in our grocery department we have one of the finest and most complete line of Fancy and Staple groceries to be found in the entire state.

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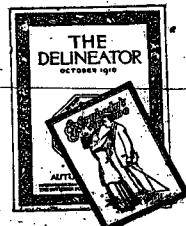
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- Cosmopolitan, m. \$1.50 a year.
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- Delineator, m. \$1.00 a year.
- Success, m. \$1.00 a year.
- World's Work, m. \$3.00 a year.
- Review of Reviews, m. \$3.00 a year.
- Country Life in America, m. \$4.00 a year.
- Literary Digest, w. \$3.00 a year.
- The Reader, m. \$1.00 a year.

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