

a pound. The railroad had been built as far as Mayville by the spring of 1882, so we came to Mayville.

The 17 acres on the "Home Quarter" were rented to Andrew Fecher that year. One horse died after it came to North Dakota. Dahl and Grill and Uncle Iver's team broke about twenty acres. Hay was scarce, but we had plenty of oats and some corn, and the horses fared well on this, besides straw.

My brother Christopher and Ole and John Fecher accompanied me in the car. Mother and Mrs. Thor Hagen went on the train. That year, 1882, I used the preemption rights to a quarter of land near Sheyenne. My mother also filed near there. We remained at Sheyenne four years. In 1885 the crop was good, and we hauled it to an elevator in Cooperstown. I borrowed money from W. S. Burch, a Portland banker, on the storage ticket. There was about 800 bushels and I could have sold the grain for 75 cents per bushel. The money I borrowed was used for farming expenses for that year, and I used about \$150.00 for a trip to Chicago, Madison and St. Ansgar.

When I returned from the trip I learned that the elevator company had failed. It was in charge of the Linum Elevator Co.

Cooperstown was full of people who had stored