

THE NEWS AROUND HOME.

N. Menor is confined to the house with sickness since his return from Lake Ojibwi.

Miss Orrie Kleckner gave a tea party to her many lady friends, Thursday evening at the residence of I. N. Menor.

The city dads are away to Rock Rapids where they went yesterday for the purpose of getting an idea of the construction of the water works at that place.

Owing to the fact that the office force have been occupied in the work of getting out an extensive job of pamphlet work this week, the paper has been obliged to take a back seat.

It is expected that Prof. Hans Albert, a German expert violinist, will be in the city today or tomorrow for the purpose of making arrangements for a public exhibition.

H. Gale, formerly assistant cashier of the First National bank, left last week for Rapid City, where he has secured the position as cashier in a bank.

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BELOIT BUBBLES.

Plenty of rain. The new side track was completed Tuesday.

Frank Starr, returned from Jefferson last Monday.

The hum of the thrasher is the music here at present.

Edward Olson is doing up the sights of Inwood this week.

K. Peterson, made a flying trip to the Falls, Wednesday.

Mrs. E. Lyons is visiting friends and relatives at Beresford.

Prof. Lyons, Ed. Maynard and W. Weed are on the sick list.

Messrs. Permer and Landon, of Hawarden, were in town Thursday on business.

Mr. F. P. Dean, of Sioux City, was up looking after his farming interests near town Friday.

It is rumored that one of our townsmen has purchased the Dakota Star at Eden. The future will tell.

L. B. Beardsley, Superintendent of the Milwaukee and J. H. Bowen, road master, were here Monday locating side tracks, yards etc.

The new residence of Elias Boyce, south of town has assumed handsome proportions. The plasterers and painters are at work now.

The Ice Cream Club met in regular weekly meeting last Sunday at 10 a. m., and immediately went into secret session. Ten quarts of the cool was devoured.

D. S. Guintner, of Vermillion, occupied the M. E. pulpit last Sunday morning and evening. In the evening he preached a very instructive sermon on the subject—"What shall we do to be saved."

Donohoe & Henderson are engaged in the work of making improvements on the mill dam. They have made many important improvements in the mill recently and their efforts are being appreciated.

A certain young man, whose eye sight is rather defective, was waiting silently the other evening for a young lady who was at a neighbor's. On coming up the railroad track he beheld something white.

LINN LAURELS.

I can see we are the people. E. Jones has been on the sick list but he is now able to walk again.

H. Johnson shipped a car of fine sheep to Kimball, S. D., a few days ago.

Many of our people took in the circus at Sioux Falls last week—among the number were the two merchants.

While in Worthing the other day, I learned that the petitions were out to bring the county seat question to a vote of the people at the next election. I hope

every voter will give this matter sufficient attention this fall to settle this tormented question for all time.

W. W. Thayer, went to Canton, the other day and brought out a brand new binder which he has actively at work now.

H. O. Struder is over in Iowa on business. His daughter, Kate, Mrs. Mosher, of Sanborn, is visiting her many friends and relatives here.

Hon. H. J. Frank is making hay these hot days on his farm near the station. Our people are beginning to wonder if he will make hay in the political field again this fall.

It has become an assured fact that Worthing will contend for the location of the county seat. Arrangements are slowly drawing to the point of completion and if it happens that we don't get ready in time this fall, we will next.

I hear that our friend Jerry Woodly will be a candidate for sheriff on the independent ticket. If he does, he will get the support of nearly every farmer of this part of the county regardless of party.

The farmers warehouse is being put into shape to receive grain. The farmers of this locality were greatly benefited by the united action of the farmers in operating the ware-house here last year and they will find that it will be a grand success this year if they stick together like they have here-to-fore.

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I was in Worthing last night and overheard a neighbor in secret consultation with the postmaster over the political situation. From the conversation I readily learned that our postmaster here is shivering in his boots for fear Leavitt will be elected—it will kick the postmaster out of a job.

Our friend Frank A. Leavitt is out west making speeches in support of the farmer's alliance. Mr. Leavitt is a good talker and a gentleman, a practical farmer and would make a competent representative to represent the interests of the farming classes.

Have the farmers and laborers read the Sioux Valley Nuisance of last week—"Gifford or Fight" is its motto. Now what does it mean—does it mean that the News and its ring expect to run Gifford in this fall whether the people are willing or not?

When I occasionally suggest the idea of keeping rats and mice out of a house, I am told it can not be done. On the house that I am now building I asked the mason to do the work in a certain way around the chimney, giving my reasons; he said I could not keep mice out of a house.

Way to Wash Windows.

Two servants employed in adjoining houses were talking recently about their methods of cleaning windows. The one whose windows always looked the brightest said she selected a dull day for the work, or a day when the sun was not shining on them.

A Consoling Thought.

Mrs. Tangle (who is "moving house")—It's sad to leave the old house that has been our home so long; Henry; it has many fond memories.

Tangle—Yes, but there's one consolation, Mary. We owe the landlord a year's rent and he'll never get it out of us now.

A Queer Sleeper.

Franklin, Pa. has a child who sleeps every other three days. The case baffles physicians. The child is in perfect health.

TRUE TO HIS WORD.

He Promised to Practice on Him Each Morning and Did It.

Giving advice is one thing and feeling the effects of having it followed is quite another thing. Prof. Julius Eichberg, the well-known violinist, says that he once had as a pupil a promising little fellow of some 8 years, who would not study.

"Oh," said the boy, "I shall play, and pick flowers, and have a good time."

"Yes, but suppose you made up your mind to get up an hour earlier every morning to practice? You would still have time for sport, and in the fall you would be able to play those sonatas you admire."

The result of the conversation was that Otto flung himself upon the neck of his teacher, of whom he was very fond, and promised to do what was asked of him.

A few weeks later, as Mr. Eichberg was driving through the mountains with his family, he was one day delayed, so that the hotel where they were to pass the night was reached at a late hour of the evening.

The accommodations were poor and the night was warm, and it was near morning before the travelers got to sleep, and it seemed to Mr. Eichberg that he had scarcely closed his eyes before he was aroused by the doleful sound of a violin in a room overhead, where some one was at work upon an exercise with which the listener was only too familiar.

"It was evidently of no use to complain to the clerk, and Mr. Eichberg relieved his mind by declaring that he should at least like to see the player of the violin."

"Oh, you can see him if you want to," the clerk said. "He has just gone down-stairs. You will find him outside there."

Away hurried the guest, the more irritated by the way in which his remonstrance had been received, and before the door on the lawn stood a trim little lad with his face turned away.

"Are you the boy," demanded Mr. Eichberg, sternly, "that has been making such a noise on the violin for an hour?"

The boy turned and looked at him, at first with an expression of fright; then, with a cry of joyous recognition, little Otto flung himself impulsively into his teacher's arms.

"Oh, my dear Mr. Eichberg!" he cried, "I am so glad to see you! I have got up and played every morning just as I promised!"

SLOW BURNING CONSTRUCTION.

How to Build Houses to Keep Out Rats and Mice, Cold and Dust.

I have been a builder for the past thirty years, writes A. W. Page to the New York Evening Post, and have given a great deal of attention to the better protection of dwelling houses in the way of keeping out cold, odors, coal, and ash dust, and especially rats and mice, from the basement and cellars, also in making them, not fireproof, but "slow burning."

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In the old-fashioned houses, that were built with large posts, beams, and floor-timbers, there were not so many of these flues, consequently there were more chances for extinguishing the fire or at least more time to save household goods, and perhaps life.

The Duchy of Lauenburg.

The little duchy of Lauenburg, the title of duke of which has been offered to Bismarck, has been tossed about a good deal during the present century. Originally German, it came into the possession of the French in 1806.

down to the lining floor on the outside walls, and in fact all of the walls instead of plastering to grounds six or seven inches from the floor.

NEW SYSTEM OF PASSENGER FARES.

The Letter-Postage Principle Applied to Traffic on Hungarian Railways.

At a recent meeting of the American Academy of Political and Social Science, held in Philadelphia, Prof. E. J. James of the University of Philadelphia read the following novel and interesting paper:

He said: For the last nine months a most interesting experiment in railroad management has been going on in Hungary. As a result a new system of passenger tariffs was worked out and put into operation Aug. 1, 1889.

How radical a change this system implies for a large part of the traffic can be seen in the extreme cases—i. e., in those in which the reduction has been the greatest. The fares for all stations in the fourteenth zone, which includes all stations more than 225 kilometers from the capital, are 8, 5.80, and 4 gulden respectively for the three classes, corresponding to \$2.88, \$2.08, and \$1.44.

The simplification of the tariff is very great. Under the old system, the number of distinct tickets which had to be kept in every large office was nearly 700.

The railroad tickets are now placed on sale like postage stamps at the post-offices, hotels, cigar-shops, and other convenient places. The public is greatly pleased at the discarding of the complicated machinery of ticket selling as practiced under the old system.

The most interesting thing, however, in this experiment is the way in which the passenger traffic has increased under the stimulus of the new rates.

The number of passengers during the last five months of 1887 was 2,389,400; during the same period of 1888 it was 2,381,200; while for the same period of 1889—it was 5,684,600, an increase of over 133 per cent.

It would be well for our own railroad managers who complain that passenger traffic is not profitable to look into the matter. The American people, reputed to be the most restless in the world, do not have nearly as many passengers per head of the population as England, and it is far exceeded in the number of passengers to mile of railway by half a dozen countries of Europe.

Would-Be Suicides.

Dr. Cushing, a retired physician on the West side, gave me an interesting fact a day or so ago about suicides, says the N. Y. Star.

"Not once in a thousand times," said he, "do either men or women kill themselves while in the presence of another person. The tendency of the suicidal mania is always toward solitude. That is why in all the asylums of the land people who have a disposition to kill themselves are always kept together and there is no danger then."

"Another remarkable fact is," added another physician who joined in the conversation, "that people who attempt suicide and fail are almost always afraid to die. When I was a young doctor in a hospital we used to sometimes play pranks on men brought in who had a tendency to kill themselves. I recall a very interesting case which happened not long ago. A man was carried into the institution who had attempted twice in one day to commit suicide."

"Let us see," said I to another physician, "how badly this man wants to die."

"I handed him a harmless mixture, of which he gave the man a good dose. I turned quickly around, snatched the bottle out of his hand, and said so that the would-be suicide could hear me: 'My God, doctor you have killed that man! Get the stomach pump at once.'"

"The man, who only a few hours before had tried to take his own life, instantly became scared to death at the thought of losing it. He begged like a good fellow to be saved. I have never known it to be otherwise that, if a person fails to take his own life, he is afraid to lose it by accident."

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