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THE land seeker will be playing on our cellar door next year. Just wait and see.

THIS has been the week of fragrant blossoms and the whole country has been perfumed with the breath of springtime.

THE next presidential campaign will be devoid of several old-time features, and Populism and Bryanism appear to be doomed for a time at least.

THE "Iowa idea" does not have any connection with the liquor question and applies wholly to the tariff. The corn huskers are rolling the tariff ball along at a good rate.

THE Hessian fly is at work in the wheat fields of Kansas. One grain firm estimates that seventy-five per cent of the crop is affected. Some farmers report that their fields are alive with the pest.

JUDGE ELLIOTT of Minneapolis, sentenced Former Mayor Ames of Minneapolis to six years in the penitentiary. The sentence is a severe one, but in the eyes of a jury or judge all boodlers and grafters "look alike to me."

MILES has been given the "marble heart" by the war department and it is said that President Roosevelt will insist on the peremptory retirement of the general whose trip to the Philippines made him see things funny.

JOSEPH LEITER who figured in the wheat corner in 1897 and 1898 has offered to settle with his creditors for twenty cents on the dollar. The man who can pay twenty cents on the dollar after having tried to corner the wheat crop of the country is to be congratulated.

WE are informed that according to the population and the number of presidential postoffices in the State Minnesota takes the cake. Almost every postoffice in the thousand-dollar class has increased its business so much during the past year that it has been raised a hundred dollars. The record is a very creditable one.

THE State dairy and food commissioner in speaking of the dairy interests of the State says: "I appeal to the farmers of the State to stand by the local creameries. They are the institutions which have made the dairy industry of Minnesota what it is. Butter is being made cheaper by the 700 local creameries in the State than by any other system."

WE don't know just what kind of people the Russian Jews are, but it would seem that if they had any horse sense they would improve their condition by trekking along the highways to Sheol. A land that will tolerate any such inhuman treatment of a race of people, whatever their condition and customs, has slipped a cog or two and got back into the dark ages.

THROUGH the efforts of Congressman Bede, Land Commissioner Richards has issued an order transferring back from the new Cass lake land district into the Duluth district all that part of Itasca county north of the line between township 64 and 65, fourth meridian, and between townships 152 and 153, fifth meridian. There was much complaint over the detachment of the northern end of Itasca county from the Duluth district and through Mr. Bede's efforts the change was made.

IT is a most fortunate thing to the business interests of the entire north-west and across to the Pacific coast along the Great Northern line that the trouble between that road and the trainmen was adjusted without a strike which looked probable for a few days. The business men of the twin cities were taken into the conference with Manager Ward and the officers of the trainmen's association and a settlement was effected by both parties yielding just a little in their demands.

THE dismissal of Superintendent Machen of the free rural delivery division of the postal department means the turning over of free rural matters to Fourth Assistant Postmaster Bristow who is not an enthusiast in the extension of free rural delivery service. There is said to be no more available funds for the rural service and no more routes will be opened for a short time at least. Bristow believes in not being too hasty in crowding out the country postoffices and thinks that the free rural service has been extended faster than actual conditions would warrant.

THE police are on the track of the man who made the infernal machine that was intended to be placed on the Umbria before it sailed for Europe, and the chances are very good for running the villain down. It is said that there is an organized band of hell's worst plotters that have been secretly blowing up British vessels in this way. It is recalled to mind that several boats have in the last few years sailed out of port and never been heard from again, and it is supposed that the vessels were destroyed by being blown up by infernal machines placed aboard of them and which exploded after the boats were well out to sea. There seems to be no bottom to the chasm of crime.

SOME of the library boards of the eastern cities are setting themselves up as censors and are issuing decrees that this book and that book shall not be read by a certain class of people, and presume to act as the judges of the intellectual appetite of the public. The library board of New York city has just declared that "Uncle Tom's Cabin" shall not be read by the children, as it is too stirring and startling and then, too, it recalls to mind the things that led up to the great civil war. The members of the New York library board should go and soak their heads to use a more or less vulgar expression which is certainly justified. Why don't the board throw out the bible because it shows man what an awful sinner he is, and cast aside as naught the beautiful lessons it teaches. Uncle Tom's Cabin has come to stay and has taken its place among the immortal things of literature and it will require more than the actions of a library board to shelve the book.

THE old sugar baron, Havemeyer, has issued a challenge to the trades unions of New York to a rag chewing contest over labor matters. Havemeyer to furnish the hall and is to ask the trades unions a series of questions which the members of the unions must answer publicly. In his challenge he inquires: "Has it ever occurred to you that the ability or skill to do any kind of work comes from God and is a trust of which we are bound to make good use? To what extent has any man the right to cease from work and thus cease to use the gift, and has he the right, by persuasion or force, to keep other men from exercising this gift, even if he is unwilling to use it himself?" Judging from the tone of the inquiry Havemeyer must entertain the opinion that labor is mere serfdom and should be satisfied with what the magnanimous employer should see fit to pay. It is just as natural for man to labor as it is for him to eat, but he will not labor if he can help it unless he thinks he is receiving a reasonable recompense. It is just as natural for man to demand as much as possible for his labor as it is for Havemeyer and all the other trust barons to demand as much as possible for their trust-cursed articles of commerce. Mr. Havemeyer should reply to a few questions himself.

IN amending the ordinance defining the fire limits the council should go slow and have always in mind the future and not the present. It is hard to always adjust and provide for the operation of village ordinances and determine in what respect they should be amended to suit individual cases. The council has already made two amendments to the fire ordinance and permitted the erection of wooden buildings that were prohibited by the ordinance in certain territory. Where the improvements, though of a frame nature, do not increase the fire risks, perhaps the amendments can work no injury or jeopardize property, but let us all bear in mind and beware—that the village has to-day no fire department, that we have allowed it to die and become almost as extinct as antediluvian animals, and now if we continue to abolish restrictions here and there as provided by our fire ordinance the time is coming when we will be sure to regret our actions. We want to do everything we can to encourage the growth and development of the village, but at the same time to protect and guard it against fires. After Princeton was scourged by fire the village set to work to rebuild and the citizens threw a safeguard around the business portion of the town by enacting a fire ordinance, and a fire department was organized and encouraged. We have had no occasion for a fire department nor for a fire ordinance, it would seem for some time, but history always repeats itself. A frame shed here and there has crept into the territory where it has been restricted and prospects seem good for a lumber yard being located in some of the territory which has just been taken from the fire limits. It is far better to "hew to the line and let the chips fall where they may" than to take steps that we will regret in years to come.

## Shavings.

Revenge is a wound that never heals.

Honesty is often given a hard chase for its money.

A society belle usually hustles hard to get the wedding ring.

They had a blizzard in Montana this week. They have also worse things than that in Montana.

Clerks in the big department stores have a hard time getting up in the world on account of so many mark-down sales.

A man named Wait died in northern Minnesota the other day. As the Englishman would say, "He couldn't stay any longer."

An Omaha judge has issued an injunction restraining a woman from indulging in chronic gossip. Has anyone heard from the woman's hubby?

The supreme court has decided that Clearwater county was legally organized at the last election. The water up that way has been a trifle muddy for some time and now let us hope that it will clear up.

Muggle—I am afraid that Jones is going into premature decline.

Tupper—What's the trouble?

Muggle—His wife is so particular about everything that Jones says that he can't even wipe his feet on the door mat without putting his foot in it.

A Presbyterian minister down in Indiana has invented a stopper to a bottle that will make it impossible to refill the bottle, and a Kentucky distiller has made the minister an offer of a round million for the device. Thus does the inventor familiarize himself with things spirituous as well as spiritual.

Oldham—Was Battin's acting good?

Priggley—Very fair. His first encore brought down the house—to the box office where they all demanded their money back.

Oldham—How's that?

Priggley—Well, you see his lines were so read that everybody got the blues.

The board of health of the city of St. Paul is talking of fumigating all the paper money that is handled by the local banks. They are getting mighty particular down there about money. In most localities everybody is willing to take their chances with what microbes are thrown in with Uncle Sam's promise to pay.

### Cravens Plays Shortstop.

Carl Cravens who started in to pitch for the Little Falls team, has been assigned duty as shortstop. In the game on Wednesday of last week at Little Falls between the home team and the Winnipeg nine the Little Falls team was beaten 16 to 5, Cravens and Ferrell doing box work. In the second game Thursday Winnipeg took 7 and Little Falls got just the frame work of the score. Cravens played shortstop and Doty pitched. The Little Falls Transcript says: "The Winnipeg team left Friday afternoon for St. Cloud where they will play for three days. They will play other teams in this vicinity until May 20, when the Northern league season opens, their first game being at Duluth on that date."

### A Swedish Mission at Princeton.

Rev. C. G. Gronberg of the Scandinavian Lutheran church at Hopkins, Minn., held services in the Swedish language at the Congregational church last Sunday afternoon. Rev. Gronberg has decided to open a Swedish mission in Princeton and will make arrangements to hold services each week at the Congregational church at a time to be announced later. The services this week will be held this (Thursday) evening at 7:30 o'clock. Rev. Gronberg is a graduate of the Lutheran seminary at Hamline, and was also a student at Bethany college at Lindsborg, Kansas. At present he is the guest of Rev. Larsgaard.

### Cold for Cotton.

J. A. Foster who formerly worked on the UNION, and who returned to his native heath down in Texas a year ago, now "holds cases" on the Coleman Voice, a copy of which was received this week and we note that our Texas cousins are having a bit of the cold backward spring. Here is a sample of one of the Texas kicks on the weather: "Will the weather prophets give the storms a rest for a while and tell us when winter will break. We hate to wear our overcoats while we are chopping cotton."

### Box Car Derailed.

While the jerkey was switching yesterday a large stone fell from a flat car and rolled under an Erie box car and threw it off the rails. The car was almost turned crossways over the track and it will require a wrecking crew to put it back on the track.

### Music by School Children.

The music for the graduating exercises of the high school will be furnished by a chorus of fifty school children who are being drilled by Mrs. Claire Caley.



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Fat Smoked Bloaters, cleaned, per doz.	30c
Armour's Beef Tablets (a quick drink) per dozen	25c
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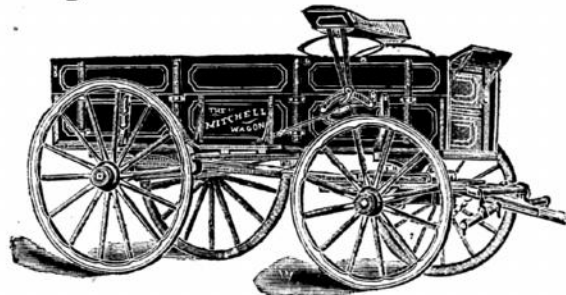
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