

VALUATIONS AND TAXES.

Real and Personal Property of Mille Lacs County and Tax Abstract.

The tax abstract of Mille Lacs county which has been completed from tax rolls as equalized by the State board, and from taxes levied to meet the State, county, town and school taxes, is an interesting study to those who take pains enough to look into the tax question.

Table with 3 columns: Personal, Real, Total. Lists various towns and their respective tax amounts.

The total amount of taxes to be paid the coming year by Mille Lacs county tax payers amounts to \$77,579.11 divided as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Category, Amount. Lists State tax, County tax, Town tax, School tax.

The State tax is 2.73 mills, apportioned as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Revenue, Amount. Lists Revenue fund, Poor fund, Road and bridge, etc.

There has been an increase of two-tenths of a mill in the State tax during the past two years to meet additional drafts on the revenue fund of the State.

The county tax for the current year will be 11.9 mills. It will be noted that there is no levy for court house bonds, as the old bonds have all been paid and a small balance was covered into the revenue fund of the county.

Table with 2 columns: Revenue fund, Amount. Lists Revenue fund, Poor fund, Road and bridge, etc.

There are three towns that raise over \$1,000 in taxes for revenue, road and bridge and delinquent land road funds. These towns are Milaca, Page and Robbins. Four other towns, Bogus Brook, Borgholm, Greenbush and Onamia raise nearly \$1,000 for these funds, but Greenbush, Bogus Brook and Borgholm have high valuations and the tax rate is low in comparison with other towns.

The town taxes are as follows:

Table with 6 columns: Town or Village, Rev., R.R., Dup., State Loan, Total Tax, Am't. Lists various towns and their tax details.

*Pay only State and county tax. No local revenue.

The school taxes of the county range all the way from four and a half mills in school district No. 5 (section 20, Greenbush) to thirty-six and four-tenths mills in school district No. 13 (Milaca village) which is the only independent school district in the county.

SCHOOL DISTRICT TAXES.

Table with 6 columns: District No., Rate, Total Tax, Am't., Val., Dist. Lists school districts and their tax details.

*Interest and sinking fund.—Independent district.

†Fractional. Part of district in Isanti county.

The market prices paid for hogs, sheep and cattle. Leave word with P. J. Wikeen, Princeton.

OUT OF THE HARNESS.

County Officials Who Retired From Office This Week.

Clerk of Court Briggs who retired from office this week, has held the office for sixteen consecutive years, making a record for long and faithful service seldom equalled by county officials.

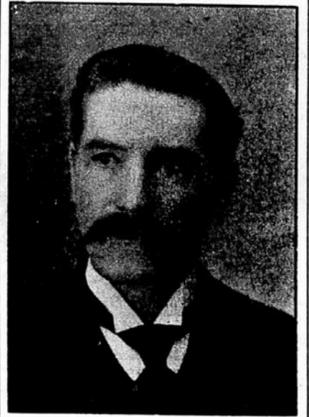
Mr. Briggs prior to being elected clerk of court held the office of judge of probate for one term. At that time the office paid but \$150 a year, and Mr. Briggs taught school and held a term of court on Saturdays of each



L. S. BRIGGS. Retiring Clerk of Court of Mille Lacs County.

week. Mr. Briggs during all his public career has taken an active interest in politics and was for twelve years chairman of the Republican county committee and served as Mille Lacs county member of the congressional committee several years. He has always been a most loyal and faithful worker for his party and has been justly entitled to what honors he has had in past years, and should he ever in the future enter public ranks he will be sure to receive hearty support.

Mr. Briggs will make arrangements to enter the business field in Princeton in a short time.



C. W. VAN WORMER. Retiring Superintendent of Schools.

County Superintendent of Schools C. W. Van Wormer, who is one of the out-going county officials, has held the office for six years. Mr. Van Wormer has lived in Mille Lacs and Isanti counties ever since he was a boy. He bought the Isanti County Press several years ago and published that paper for many years, and was also county superintendent of school of Isanti county several years. He disposed of the Press and his property in Cambridge to Col. Geo. A. Iselin. Mr. VanWormer afterwards engaged in the mercantile business at Foreston and when he became superintendent of schools he moved to Princeton where he has since resided. He built him a home east of town last year where he is at present living.

Mr. VanWormer is thinking some of moving to the Pacific coast, but his many friends in Princeton and Mille Lacs county hope to see him remain here and continue to grow up with the county.

A Grim Tragedy

Is daily enacted, in thousands of homes, as death claims, in each one, another victim of consumption or pneumonia. But when coughs and colds are properly treated, the tragedy is averted. F. G. Huntley, of Oakland, Ind., writes: "My wife had the consumption, and three doctors gave her up. Finally she took Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds which cured her, and to-day she is well and strong." It kills the germs of all diseases. One dose relieves. Guaranteed at 50 cents and \$1.00 by C. A. Jack, druggist. Trial bottle free.

Old Indian Dead.

A well known Indian character at Mille Lacs lake known as "J. P." died a week ago. While he held no high position among his tribe, he was probably one of the most widely known Chippewas at the lake. He had reached an extreme old age at the time of his death, but the number of his years are not known. A point that runs out into Mille Lacs lake near Southshore is named after him.—Milaca Times.

TROUBLE IN FIRE DEPARTMENT.

A Hotel Fire Incident Leads to an Arrest and Trouble in Department.

There is threatened trouble in the fire department again, and it will take a heart-to-heart talk with the council and the department to settle matters. At the hotel fire last Tuesday morning Cyrelle Belair who was out early at the fire and at work like many other citizens doing what he could to assist, appears to have incurred the displeasure of two of the firemen, Orville Morehouse and Alfonso Nachbar, who had the nozzle of one of the hose and was playing a stream at the parlor of the hotel. Mr. Belair had been assisting in straightening out the hose which ran from the Caley corner and he had followed it up to the fire and went up to the boys and took hold of the nozzle. The firemen objected to this and informed him in vigorous language of his intrusion, which was perhaps innocent enough. Chief Brown was called and when he saw the interference he strenuously objected and the objection led to some words between the chief and Mr. Belair. While Belair had hold of the hose in some manner his arm struck Nachbar in the face and of course made the lad more or less sore, perhaps in two ways. The matter did not end with the affair for the next day Chief Brown had a warrant sworn out for Belair charging him with assault, but when the case was heard by Justice Chadbourne he dismissed it, as there was not sufficient evidence to show that Belair was intentionally guilty for he claims he did not wilfully hit the boy.

The case became a common grievance with the fire department and many talked of disbanding. A meeting was called at the town hall last night at which the chief stated what had happened and he said that he had not caused the arrest of Belair until he had consulted with two of the members of the council and some of the citizens. Several of the members of the department participated in the discussion which revealed loyalty to the chief on the part of the members, but it seemed to be the general impression that the whole matter was one that should not involve the fire department as an organization. It was admitted that the boys were more or less to blame and that the whole incident had been unduly magnified as well as aggravated by outside parties. The interference with the firemen was not excused by any of the members, however.

The chief stated that he had had a talk with President Cooney who informed him that the council would probably meet on Thursday evening of this week and that the members of the department were invited to be present and talk the matter over with the council.

The meeting brought out a thorough discussion of matters of vital interest to the department, and one member submitted a list of all the State aid money sent to the village treasurer for the fire department since 1899, which amounted to \$626.07, over \$200 of this amount being the apportionment for last year. Very little of this money has ever been paid over to the fire department. During the years 1902 and 1903 there was no department organized but the village, it was stated, kept the money just the same and used it contrary to the provisions of the law. The members stated that the village had no more business with the money than the department, the law providing that the money should be turned over to the department for the relief of disabled firemen, their widows and orphans, and a letter received from the secretary of the State fire department last fall stated that the money could also be used by the department for the purchase of equipment, etc.

The department organized a relief association three months ago, and had written to the State department for a constitution and by-laws which had never been received.

The manner in which the meeting was conducted and the conservative views expressed by those who had anything to say was a credit to the organization, and it is to be hoped that the meeting with the council will result in a better understanding between all parties concerned.

Has the Brain Reached its Limit?

One of the leading magazines recently published an article to the effect that the human brain had reached the limit of its development; that is, that the bodily tissue in the brain is under as much strain as it can stand. This hardly seems logical as the development along every line is simplifying methods, rather than confusing them, and we are learning to think more clearly, live better and work harder with less effort. Golden grain belt beer thus has a definite use—to rest the mind and body and make their work lighter. That it does this hundreds will testify. Order of your nearest dealer or be supplied by Henry Veidt, Princeton.

Booze Fighters are Being Fired From N. P. Service.

Some of the employees of the Northern Pacific have been brought to a realization of the fact that the anti-liquor order issued a few months ago is not a bluff, but will be enforced. A recent press dispatch says: "The stringent anti-liquor rule that has been put into effect on the Montana division of the Northern Pacific had its first demonstration. Three engineers, eighty firemen, two civil engineers and several foremen and yardmasters were summarily discharged for drinking. It is the declared purpose of the Northern Pacific to rid its roll of every man who is addicted to strong drink to any degree. The headquarters of the road in St. Paul will not give out any names, but it is freely stated that the next batch of employees to feel the ax will be in the passenger department."—Aitkin Age.

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Church Topics

Sunday and Weekday Announcements.

METHODIST.

Topics for next Sunday: Morning, "The Illuminated Path;" evening, "The Philosophy of Revivalism." There will be good singing and music. Special meetings will be held at the church every evening of this week and next. The pastor will be assisted by his brother, Rev. T. N. Swinnerton of Akeley, Minn. Everyone is invited. The meetings this week are well attended and the interest is growing.

Next Sunday evening Rev. James Burns will hold services at the Neumann school house in Blue Hill at 8 o'clock.

CONGREGATIONAL.

Topics for next Sunday: In the morning Rev. Henderson will repeat in part the sermon of last Sunday evening by special request. His topic will be "In the Midst of Fire is the Young Man Safe?" Rev. Henderson deals with his subject in a practical, straight forward way and will present for consideration truths in which everyone should be concerned. The evening topic will be "The World's Greatest Arbitration Case." Sunday school at 11:45 a. m.

SALOON LICENSES.

Supreme Court's Opinion as to Powers of Councils.

In a recent decision Justice Brown of the State supreme court passes on the question of the authority of city and village councils in the matter of saloon licenses. The case came up from Northfield. He says: "The question whether a license for the sale of intoxicating liquors shall be granted to an applicant therefor within the city of Northfield rests in the sound judgment and discretion of the common council; in the exercise of which they act judicially, and not ministerially, and their action cannot be controlled or reviewed by mandamus."

"The council may, if in its judgment the best interests of the inhabitants of the city demand it, limit the number of saloon licenses to be granted. Order affirmed."

The Reason for the Decision.

The supreme court last week filed its formal decision in the petition of Frank A. Day, as chairman of the Democratic State central committee, for an order directing the secretary of State to place the word "Democrat" after the name of Justice Calvin L. Brown on the official State ballot. The order granting this petition was filed before election and the ballot was so printed. The reasons for the order are stated in the memorandum.

The court holds in a decision signed by Judge Brill of St. Paul, who was one of the three judges of the district court called in to decide the case, that the statute prohibiting a candidate from receiving the nomination of more than one party is void.

It violates the provisions of section 27 of article 4 of the State constitution, which says: "No law shall embrace more than one subject, which shall be expressed in its title." The statute in question, chapter 312 of the laws of 1901, is entitled "an act relating to the names of political parties on the official ballot." This does not cover the provisions of the statute which follow.

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