NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

Owing to the largely increased and constantly increasing expense of publishing our paper, we are obliged to and shall hereafter charge for the insertion in the columns of THE DEMOCRAT of all calls for political or public meetings, society notices, obituary and marriage notices, and other similar matters, such as have been heretofore published free of cost. The charges for such announcements will be as follows: Marriage Notices, 50 cents each; Obituary Notices (simple announcement of death only), 25 cents; notices of public meetings, etc., one-half of our established rates for ordinary advertising, according to the space occupied. We have hitherto cheerfully given publicity to notices of the kind alluded to, without charge; but justice to ourselves requires that we shall do so no longer.

Persons bringing or sending such notices to the office for publication, should bear in mind that they will not be inserted unless the payment for each insertion accompanies the copy.

LOCAL NEWS

DIRECTORY OF M. E. CHURCH.—Divine service at the Seminary Hall, every Sabbath, at 10½ a. m. Prayer Meeting every Thursday evening at 7½. Sabbath School at 9½ p. m. every Sabbath Morning.

DAVID TICE, Pastor.

☞ The Circulation of the Democrat is DOUBLE that of any other paper published above St. Anthony Falls Let Advertisers remember this.

FOR RENT.—A comfortable two-story dwelling, pleasantly located. Inqure at this office.

FOR SALE.—A Little Giant Sewing Machine—cheap. Inquire at this office.

TICKETS.—We are prepared to print election tickets, Union or Democratic, on short notice.

BLANKS.—Justices' Summons and Sub pœnas for saleat this Office and the Book Store. All kinds of blanks printed to order on short notice.

FROST.—The first frost since June was on Sabbath evening last, but it was very light.

NEW BELL.—A new bell has been put on the Methodist Church, and on last Sabbath for the first time called together the congregation of that church.

RE-ASSIGNED.—The many friends of Rev. David Tice will be pleased to learn that he has been assigned by Conference to this place for another year.

CATHOLIC CHURCH.—Work is progressing steadily on this immense edifice, and it is rapidly assuming its intended proportions. It is considered the largest and finest structure of the kind in the State.

DIPHTHERIA.—This disease has been quite prevalent among the children for some weeks past, and has proved fatal in a number of cases. We are not aware of any who are now dangerously ill.

GOOD CUSTOMERS.—Large trains from Red River have been loading in this city, and the half breeds prove good customers. They have purchased great quantities of goods from our merchants.

POST SURGEON.—Dr. J. V. Wren of this city, has been appointed Surgeon at Fort Ripley. This is an excellent appointment.

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.—The First Annual Meeting of the Northern Minnesota Baptist Association will be held in St. Cloud, commencing on Friday, the 23d inst., at 2 o'clock P. M., at the Methodist Church. Introductory sermon by Rev. L. Palmer, at 2 o'clock P. M, Friday. The meetings will continue until Sabbath evening.

HOUSE BURNED.—On Tuesday of last week a dwelling house belonging to P. C. Ransom, Esq., of this city, situated on Sauk river, about eight miles from town, at what was formerly known as Woodstock, was burned to the ground. The building had been occupied by a tenant, but the family had been absent for several days. The cause of the fire is unknown, but it was doubtless an incendiarism.—Loss $2000; insured for $500.

ANSWERED.—"Which hotel in St. Paul would you recommend as the best?"

Unhesitatingly, the International. The management is most perfect—everything is comfortable and homelike—the tables are furnished with the best to be obtained in the market—while Major Vebber gives personal attention to the comfort of guests. It is, in reality, the only first-class hotel in the city.

PERSONAL.—Gov. Miller arrived in town on Tuesday evening and left again this morning. He will please accept our thanks for a fine steel-engraved portrait of our worthy Governor of Minnesota.

Judge Wilkin, the Democratic Candidate for Judge in the St. Paul district, has been in town for several days past as referee in the case of Lowry *vs* Lowry.

Lieut. Alex. Kinkead, of the Second Battery, has been assigned to duty as Quartermaster on Gen. Brannon's staff, with headquarters at Chattanooga, Tenn.

RETURNED.—Major Snyder, U. S. Paymaster, was in town on Friday evening having returned from Fort Wadsworth, Dakota Territory, where he paid $40,000 to the soldiers of the garrison. Major S considers the route via Fort Abercrombie and this city, by which he came, much the best and shortest to the Fort. This report should, and doubtless will, have the effect of sending supplies for the new post through this place.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.—Attention is called to the advertisements of Gov. Miller. Several good opportunities are offered for investment or for sale of property.

C. Proal, of St. Paul, advertises the celebrated Henry and Ballard rifles for sale. They are considered the best manufactured. We would commend Mr. P. to all those desiring a good fire arm.

PLOWS.—As our farmers are preparing for their work, they should remember that

DISTRICT COURT.—The Fall term of the District Court for Stearns County will be held at the Court House, commencing October 4th—Hon. C. E. Vanderburgh, Judge, presiding. The following grand and petit jurors were drawn on the 16th inst:

GRAND JURORS.

John W. Getchell,	Peter Heins,
S. T. Engelhard,	Herman Bolkhe
Chester Wait,	Peter Utsch,
Joseph F. Noel,	J. B. Arseneau,
George Messman,	Balthauser Fuchs
Henry Fitsman,	Andrew Myer,
Peter Tillman,	Fred Dorenkemper
George Marshall,	John Kurz,
Henry Vorjahn	J. E. Wing,
Fritz Goerner,	Antoa Enholt,
Henry Dingham	D. T Wood,
Seth Turner.	

PETIT JURORS.

M. J. Orth,	A. Montgomery.
Frank Nibler.	John Hoar.
Robert Wyman	John Doerner.
Theodore Jacob,	James McLean,
L. Robbers,	C. A. Zahn,
C. L. Wilson	John Moore.
E. B. King.	H. Rolfers.
Gotfried Huber.	

The only case of special importance on the docket is, the State of Minnesota *vs.* F. McDonald, for assault on J. Hayward. The defendant is at present at liberty under $1500 bonds.

DEMOCRATIC MEETING.—The meeting of the Democracy last night was tolerably well attended, a good portion of those present being Unionists. The first speaker was Honorable Judge Bradley B. Meeker, a *great* light in the party, and one for some reason always sent to this place. His speech was calculated to do little harm, as the sight of the oracle was sufficient, to bring back the words that passed down the open mouths of such of his hearers as might have been believers. One of his principal points was in reference to the Louisiana election, "participated in by robbers, plunderers, *soldiers*, camp followers and the like." The Judge still smarts under a criticism which appeared in THE DEMOCRAT four years ago, and could not refrain from referring to it last evening.

Jones, the Peace man, followed in a few animated remarks, in which he sustained the letter and spirit of the Chicago platform, which calls for an "*immediate*" cessation of hostilities."

Judge Hamlin, in response to calls, took the stand, and made a half hour's speech which he premised was not to be "political." The Judge occupies a somewhat delicate and extremely unenviable position as having been a member of the Committee on Platform and agreed with *Vallandigham* in reporting a resolution which says that the war is "an experiment" and "a failure," and that "justice, humanity, liberty and the public welfare demand that *immediate efforts be made for a cessation of hostilities, with a view to a Convention of States or other peaceable means to the end that peace may be restored* on the basis of the Federal Union of States."

He attempted to explain and justify the platform but kept clear of this plank. In one portion of his remarks he stated that it was not the intention of the Democratic party to say to the rebels, "if you do not come back we will compel you to," while he closed by exhorting all who believed in approaching the traitors "with the olive branch in one hand and the sword in the other" to vote for Little Mac. Rather consistent, that! Democratic politicians find it a severe stretch to ride the war horse and peace quadruped at the same time.—The Judge manifested in some particulars a commendable disposition for fairness and told his Democratic friends several wholesome truths, such as that the Southern leaders desired and were prepared for this war; and that the Republican party was not in favor of dis-union—in this giving the direct lie to Judge Meeker.

He, too, was exercised over a DEMOCRAT editorial of some two years ago, but made a mistatement in referring to it. But as the Judge's speech was not "political," we forbear further comment.

Jones took up and endorsed the plank dodged by Judge Hamlin.

Capt. E. M. Wilson was called out, and spoke briefly of what the Democratic party would *not* do, PROVIDED it came into power. Among the rest, it would *not* permit Senator Chandler to occupy his seat. How would it help it, if the people of Michigan chose to send him there? Resort to Democratic mob law? These speakers do not like Senator C.'s withering exposure of McClellan's incompetency.

Jones spoke again, after which the meeting adjourned.

THE ANNUAL PARADE and inspection of the Thirty-first Militia Regiment took place on the public square, near the Atheneum, yesterday morning, Brigadier General H. Z. Mitchell, of St. Cloud, commanding the Fifth Brigade, being the inspecting officer. This regiment has for its officers, Colonel A. R. Keifer; Lieutenant Colonel, E. D. Eddy; Major, Lorenzo Hoyt; Adjutant, Hugo Peitzold: Quartermaster, R. C. Munger. The attendance was small, and the principal feature of the occasion was a brilliantly executed flank movement, made by the field and staff officers, on Senator Ramsey's mansion. Which movement had a diminishing effect on the "stock on hand."

A Court Martial was ordered to punish delinquencies, and the following officers were appointed to sit on that occasion: Major Lorenzo Hoyt, Captain R. P. Lewis Capt. D. A. Mumford, and Lieutenant R. B. Smith. Judge Advocate, H. Petzold. The Court will meet at the office of Captain Lewis, on the 31st of October, at which time offenders may prepare to be hamstrung and quartered.

Gen. Mitchell reviewed the 30th Regiment, Col. E. B. Ames, at Minneapolis on Tuesday.—*Press.*

COMING EVENTS CAST THEIR SHADOWS BEFORE.—Not a shadow of a doubt of it, nor of Merrill's magnificent Photograph Albums being the finest and cheapest in the city. He is now receiving a new stock,

CASUALTIES IN THE 2D BATTERY.

Our correspondent, "Dixie," sends us the following list of casualties in the Second Minnesota Battery, in the engagement of August 21st, before Atlanta:

Peter Stricher, killed instantly by a shell.
Olaus Olsen, killed, shot in abdomen.
James Blair, wounded, left hand fractured.
Adolph Apitz, died in field hospital near Atlanta.

We regret that a letter from this correspondent, descriptive of the taking of Atlanta, has failed to reach us.

A GREENBACK WELL INVESTED.—A year ago several journals united in recommending their readers to invest a Dollar "greenback" in securing that very Journal for the HOUSEHOLD (including the Little Ones,) for the GARDEN, and for the FARM called the *American Agriculturist*. Many persons were thus led to subscribe, and we believe all who did so have been much more than satisfied. They have received the 23d Annual Volume of the *Agriculturist* which is full of good things, useful, practical, and entertaining, and just now the Publisher is sending out to each of his subscribers applying, a present of a plant of one of the most remarkable Strawberries that has ever been brought out. These plants, when sold by the only other person having them, go readily at 75 cents each. So the Greenback invested last year has certainly paid well. All we have now to say is, let all others go and do likewise. Notwithstanding the present advance in cost, the Publisher still offers to take subscribers this month (September) at $1 a year, or from now to the end of 1865 (fifteen months) for $1.15. And still further, he offers one of the remarkable Strawberry Plants, sent free and post paid, to every new subscriber who encloses 5 cents extra for oil cloth, packing, and postage on the plant. Our advice to all is, send the Dollar (or the $1.15,) and the extra 5 cents at once to ORANGE JUDD, Publisher of the *Agriculturist*, AT 41 PARK ROW, NEW YORK CITY, and get the paper, etc. You will get a most beautiful, well illustrated, practical paper, and the cheapest one in the country, to say nothing of the extra Strawberry Plant, etc. TRY IT.

MRS. LEWIS will give lessons on the piano forte at Mr. Norris' residence. Miss Welles will give instruction at the Seminary, in Phonography.

GEESE.—Large numbers of these wild fowls are seen flying southward, and many have been shot among the One Thousand Islands below town.

JOB WORK.

Having one of Gordon's best Job Presses, a large stock of new type and a full assortment of cards and stationery, we are prepared to print posters, circulars, billheads, letter-heads, ball tickets, business, wedding and visiting cards, envelopes, labels, programmes, blanks, invitations, or almost anything desired, in good style and at fair prices. A call is respectfully requested.

THERMOMTERICAL RECORD.

Corrected expressly for THE DEMOCRAT, *by S. Marlatt.*

	7 A. M.	12 M.	7 P. M.
Sept 15	50	80	75
16	56	88	70
17	50	60	55
18	45	50	48
19	40	70	65
20	55	68	70
21	55	65	60

[No. 702.]

BY THE PRESIDENT

OF THE

UNITED STATES.

In pursuance of law, I, ABRAHAM LINCOLN, President of the United States of America, do hereby declare and make known that a public sale will be held at the undermentioned Land Office in the State of Minnesota, at the period hereinafter designated, to wit:

At the Land Office at ST. CLOUD, commencing on MONDAY, THE 17TH DAY OF OCTOBER next, for the disposal of the public lands within the following townships and parts of townships, viz:

North of the base line and west of the fourth principal meridian.

Townships 42, 43, 44 and 45, of range 28.

Township 45, of ranges 29, 30 and 31.

North of the base line and west of the fifth principal meridian.

Townships 136, 137, 138 and 139, of range 25.

Townships 135, 136, 137, 138 and 139, of range 26.

Townships 135, 136, 137, 138 and 139, of range 27.

Townships 137, 138 and 139, of range 28.

Sections 6, 8, 18, 20, 30 and 32, of township 129; the E ½ section 4; sections 6, 8, 18, 20, 28, 30 and 32, of township 130; section 6; the W ½ of section 8; section 18; the W ½ NE ¼ and the W ½ SE ¼ and the W ½ of section 20; sections 30 and 32, of township 131; section 6; the W ½ NE ¼ and the W ½ SE ¼ and the W ½ of section 8; section 18; the W ½ of section 20; and section 30, of township 132, all of range 30.

Townships 129, 130, 131, 132 and 133, of range 31.

Townships 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132 and 133, of range 32.

Townships 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133 and 134, of range 33.

Townships 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 138, 139 and 140, of range 34.

Townships 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 138, and 139, of range 35.

Townships 125, 126, 127, 128 and 129, of range 36.

Townships 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 133, 134, 135 and 136, of range 37.

Townships 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 133, 134, 135 and 136, of range 38.

Townships 128, 129, 133, 134, 135 and 136, of range 39.

Townships 128, 129, 130, 133, 134, 135 and 136, of range 40.

Townships 128, 129 and 130, of range 41.

Townships 129, 130, 131, 132 and 136, of range 42.

Townships 131, 132 and 133, of range 43.

Townships 132 and 133, of range 44.

Townships 132 and 133, of range 45.

Townships 132, 133 and 134, of range 46.

Townships 132, 133, 134 and 139, of range 47.

Townships 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142 and 143, of range 48.

Townships 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143 and 144, of range 49.

Lands appropriated by law for the use of schools, military, and other purposes; together with selections of swamp lands filed in your office by the Surveyor General, will be excluded from sale.

The offering of the above lands will be commenced on the day appointed, and will proceed, in the order in which they are advertised, until the whole shall be offered, and the sale thus closed; but the sale shall not be kept open longer than two weeks, and no private entry of any of the lands will be admitted until after the expiration of the two weeks.

Given under my hand, at the city of Washington, this seventh day of July, anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

By the President:

J. M. EDMUNDS,
Commissioner of the General Land Office.

NOTICE TO ACTUAL SETTLERS.

All *bona fide* actual settlements under existing laws, subsisting prior to and up to the date of this proclamation, will be recognised; and all such settlers are hereby called upon to come forward and establish and enter their claims with the Register and Receiver before the day fixed in the foregoing for the commencement of the public sale.

J. M. EDMUNDS, *Commissioner.*

NOTE.—Under the regulations of the Department, as heretofore and now existing, no payment can be made for advertising proclamations, except to such publishers as are specifically authorized by the Commissioner of the General Land Office.

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SHERIFF'S SALE.—BY VIRTUE OF AN EXECUTION issued out of and under the seal of the District Court of the Fourth Judicial District in and for the county of Stearns and state of Minnesota, upon a judgment rendered and docketed in said court on the 3d day of May A. D. 1860, in an action therein pending, wherein Thomas C. Alden is plaintiff and Franklin Sisson is defendant, in favor of said plaintiff and against said defendant for the sum of Sixty-seven dollars and forty-nine cents ($67.49) and one dollar and ten cents ($1.10) additional costs, and interest on the sum of sixty-eight dollars and fifty-nine cents ($68.59) from the said third day of May A. D. 1860, I have this day levied upon the following described real property as the property of the said defendant Franklin Sisson at the time of the docketing as aforesaid of the judgment aforesaid and described as follows, to wit: The west half of the south east quarter of section number fourteen (14) in township number one hundred and twenty-four (124) north of range number twenty-eight (28) west, in the St. Cloud land district and containing according to the United States survey thereof eighty (80) acres of land net measure. Now therefore notice is hereby given that I will sell the above described real property in separate parcels of forty acres each, according to the legal subdivisions thereof, to the highest bidder therefor for cash, at the front door of the Court House in St. Cloud, in said county of Stearns, on SATURDAY, the FIRST DAY OF OCTOBER, A. D. 1864, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of said day to satisfy the said execution and in-