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Do You Want Something to Read?

We have the pleasure to announce to our readers with this issue, that we have made arrangements with the publishers of the

DAILY STAR-NEWS.

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Mortuary Report.

John Critt, in the 21st year of his age, died Feb'y 18, A. D. 1888.

The deceased, was a son of chief Joseph Critt—Wan-gee-mah-dub. He was a bright, promising young man and highly esteemed by a large circle of friends and relatives. Our sympathies are with the bereaved family.

Archange Villebrun, aged 86 years and 7 months; died Feb'y 20, A. D. 1888.

The deceased was the wife of Antoine Villebrun, of the Pembina settlement, and among the oldest resident pioneers of this portion of the country. She leaves a large family, all grown up to manhood, and a large circle of friends and relatives to mourn her demise. Requescat in pace.

What They Say of Us.

Of the many complimentary favors, of which the PROGRESS is the recipient we herewith respectfully give publicity to the following:

St. Paul, Minn.

Feb'y 8, 1888.

Messrs. Beaulieu,

Gentlemen:—Please find enclosed \$2.00, for my subscription to the Progress. I am pleased to know that the poor Indians have an "organ" by way of which they can make their voices heard and their wrongs known. As a faithful interpreter of the views and wishes of the Indians your paper will render a service very desirable to those in authority, and to the people at large who have the good of the Indians at heart. Wishing you all success in your laudable undertaking, I am, respectfully and

Sincerely Yours,

† THOMAS L. GRACE,

Bishop of Minnesota.

"GENTLEMEN.—Inclosed herewith please find \$2.00 for my subscription. You are doing a great and good work for the Indians and civilization. Long life and all success to the Progress."

Very truly yours,

† ALEXIUS EDELLBROEK.

Abbot, St. John's Abbey, O. S. B.

St. Cloud, Minnesota.

A Worthy Cause.

Mrs. Thwing, the energetic wife of chief Thwing, (Mish-e-ke-shig.—Hole-in-the-sky) of Rice River, arrived here the fore part of this week. Mrs. Thwing, as usual, is busy laboring in a worthy cause; they have a school at Rice River, which is somewhat straightened in circumstances, as also are several very poor families at the same place. With this object in view the women, headed by Mrs. Thwing, have organized an "Industrial Society." The object being to manufacture mats, patch work, and all kinds of bead, silk and ribbon fancy work, etc., such as means will allow.

and to dispose of same by sale, the proceeds to be employed for the benefit of the school, the poor and the society.

Mrs. Thwing waited on the ladies of our village for donations of calico remnants, put away garments, thread and needles, yarn etc., and we are pleased to note, was reasonably successful. Here is an effort worthy of encouragement and liberal patronage, and certainly a worthy field for the generous donations of charity and philanthropy; and we would respectfully suggest, that per adventure, some kindly disposed party or parties desirous of doing good in the charitable cause of humanity, here is a space deserving and worthy. And Ladies, ere you stow away 'cast off' garments, calico remnants, yarn, thread, etc., to the garret or consign them to the "rag man" and mayhap to the aid of foreign mission fields, we trust you will not forget the "heathen's nearer home."

Insane, and a Murderer.

Frank Stevens, who killed Chas. Warn, in the insane asylum, is a married man from Becker County, and was considered harmless. Stevens thought Warn was seeking to kill his family. The officers of the asylum are nowise blameable, as the institution is very crowded.

This man Stevens run a thrashing machine on our reservation for two seasons. The last season he run his machine here the engine boiler was in a defective condition, and it seems he was in constant dread of it exploding, so much so, that he would at times jump up in his sleep, cry out, etc., this, with a natural tendency towards insanity, probably aggravated the disease. Stevens was out hunting with one of his neighbors the day before the officers came to take him to the asylum.

GRUNTS OF A RANTING BRAT.

We beg the indulgence of our readers this week, in our concession to allow space for the insolent vaporings extorted from the lewd mental recesses of the journalistic (?) abortion who edits the Red Lake Falls Gazette. List' to the demented squaks of the suckling:

"We understand that under the manipulation of the Beaulieus of the White Earth agency, a delegation of Indians is being gathered and crammed for the purpose of sending them to Washington to protest against the treaty ratification.

These Beaulieus are sharp fellows—half-breeds—and our Washington representatives should know that it is an easy matter for them to create dissatisfaction among the Indians and pack a protesting delegation in their individual interests. It is to benefit their selfish ends that they desire the reservations to remain as they are—they are consuming leeches who are and for years have been making a fat thing under past and present conditions. They always have fought any change and especially the allotment of lands, and they always will, for with the independence and civilization of the Indians, their occupation vanishes, and they will always be able to create dissension among the Indians as long as they are allowed to remain residents of the reservations."

Once upon a time a lion reposed in the quiet shade of the forest, a mouse, becoming offended at some assumption against the king of beasts, presumed to reprove and chastise him; after vainly trying to aggravate him by biting and scratching him, the lion raised himself, yawned and shook himself, and looking about to see whether a flea had bit him, he observed the enraged mouse who had tantalized him; the lion spoke not, but stood for a moment glaring with a look of mingled pity, scorn and derision, then turning away from the mouse he elevated his tail perpendicularly, and with a sardonic smile, walked majestically away!

We fain would ape the sardonic indifference of the lion in this instance but for the fact that we have several times been informed by parties (we do not exchange—would not desecrate our valuable exchange table with his nauseous production) of our names and enterprise being polluted by the

idiotic assumptions of the scrub who edits the Gazette—a gnome whose only practical mental training seems to have been derived midst the dank atmosphere of and in the defacing of dead walls and outhouses, and by the filthy appearance of the specimen of his production before us, we are of the opinion that it would even defile the interior of the latter and aptly fitted for the lowest degree of indulgence.

Out of regards for the feelings of our readers we forbear further comment, as we believe that those who have known us and have been with us, and who are acquainted with the circumstances attending our venture and our position regarding the so-called agreement, will exonerate us from all such dastardly assumptions as is inferred in the Gazette.

In conclusion we will state, that we have no time to dilly-dally or mete out suggestions or instructions to such insignificant churls, there are reformatories, asylums—jails—in this State where their previousness and defects could be treated with more salutary results.

We Mean what We Say, and Say just what We Mean!

There seems to be a certain class of individuals who take it as an implied duty on themselves to endeavor to misconstrue our meaning and controvert public opinion against any suggestions or measures we might put forward looking to the well-being of the reserve and the Indians. This is unreasonable, and we would respectfully suggest, that those who do not understand what they may read in the columns of the Progress should forbear criticism or comment until amply assured whereof they speak—in other words, to cease talking about matters until they know what they are talking about.

Already we have heard that it is inferred that instead of disapproving of John V. Wright's scheme regarding the arrearages we favored the same, that we were in league with certain other parties who were trying to defraud the Indians, that we and 'our pals' were to receive several thousands of the Indians money for our work, etc., etc. These notorious assumptions are base exaggerations of perfidious truth. And if any man assert these statements against us, he states WHAT IS FALSE—A LIE!

We started out with the set purpose of working in the interest of the Indian's welfare, the cause of justice, humanity and fair-play, in this, we feel that we have acquitted ourselves beyond the shadow of reproach as the numerous testimonials (of which we have printed a few) will bear witness to this fact.

And when we enjoined our people in last week's issue to ignore what we believed, and still believe, to be a scheme detrimental to them pecuniarily, we MEANT WHAT WE SAID, EVERY WORD OF IT! And perchance it be forgot, we herewith republish the article in full:

DON'T YOU SIGN THIS!

RESOLVED, by the Chippewas Lake Superior of the La Pointe agency that—be, and is hereby, constituted and appointed the agent, delegate and attorney for the Chippewas of Lake Superior, La Pointe agency, to contract and agree with Freeman & Money, attorneys at law, Washington D. C., and to execute for the Chippewas of Lake Superior, La Pointe agency, a power of attorney to said Freeman & Money to prosecute before Congress, the Executive departments, or the Courts, the Claims of the Chippewas of Lake Superior for their interest in the sum of \$84,438.95, aggregate of unexpended balance of appropriations, from 1843 to 1878 inclusive, made under treaty stipulations and now in the treasury of the United States, and also the claim for the sum of \$32,298.77, the aggregate of the difference in value between the payments in currency in 1863 and 1864 and in coin at the several dates of

of payments with interest thereon from date. And the said agent, delegate and attorney, is hereby authorized, and empowered to contract with said Freeman & Money to pay in compensation for their services a sum not to exceed ten per cent. of the amount recovered."

The above contract has reference to the "back money" which we refer to in another column. John V. Wright, Chairman of the treaty commission, has evidently taken a deep interest in the matter, and as usual, is working for the interest (!) of the Indians—and the firm of Freeman & Money.

Mr. Wright has written a letter to agent Sheehan, as we are informed by the latter, in reference to this contract and to "secure the signature of the chiefs" to the same. Mr. Sheehan takes the same position we do regarding the same, and will not countenance an act which will insure the payment of \$10,000 or \$12,000 to any party or parties who have never done anything towards prosecuting this claim.

The account has long since been adjusted, and all that remains to be done is for Congress to appropriate the amount. It must be borne in mind that, whenever the appropriation for the arrearage fund is made, the Mississippi Indians have a third interest in it, and any action which may be made by the Lake Superior Indians looking to a disposition of that fund should not effect the Mississippi Indians share of it.

The action of Mr. Wright in this matter does not tend to increase our confidence in him, as past experience with him and his "treaty commission" teaches us that we must watch him with a jealous eye.

Russian Proverbs.

The heart has ears.
In a still pool swarm devils.
Honor is better than wealth.
God waits long, but hits hard.
Pray to God, but row to shore.
Modesty is a maiden's necklace.
An old crow crows not for nothing.

Poverty is not sin—but twice as bad.
A bad peace is better than a good quarrel.

An untimely guest is worse than a Tartar.
Calumny is like a coal; if it does not burn it will soil.

NOTICE.

Strayed from the premises of E. L. Warren during the month of December last, a Dark-bay Mare Colt, ten months old. A liberal reward for any information leading to its recovery will be paid. Direct information to this office.

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