

ness grows the cost to the road is greater, as it must haul the material to the site. Assuming that the rate was reduced and the business of the lumbermen was doubled, how would it affect my business of running a railroad? The hauling back of the empty cars would make the whole business a loss to the road. Now, I could make a suggestion to the lumbermen of the Pacific northwest as to how they could enlarge their market. It is to continue Mr. Hill. "What they ask is not much, a matter of 5 cents, I believe. If this difference will so greatly extend their market, why do they not ask the price of 5 cents and capture the new territory they are after. I know something about the lumber business in the northwest. I know how prices have gone up. I remember when the lumbermen were getting \$5 there and now are now getting \$10. They come to me to tell me how I can greatly enlarge their market, and benefit the entire northwest. I tell them how they can do it themselves."

SPECULATING AS TO HILL

MORE BAY FRONT PURCHASES

Huge Merchandise Sheds at West Superior for Use in the Oriental Business.

PARK SYSTEM FOR GRAND FORKS

Success of the University in Tree Planting Makes It Feasible.

SIX RAPID STEAMERS

Plans of New Atlantic Line

Engineer Who Planned the Harbor in Ireland Says Much American Capital is Interested.

AMERICAN TRAINING

One Advantage Held by Colombian Military Officers.

RESTS WITH UNCLE SAM

Diplomats Believe He Alone Can Avert a Collision.

TRI-STATE TENNIS

Tomlinson of Aiden, Iowa, Defeats Raymond of Nebraska.

CURIOS CONSTRUCTION

Venezuela on the Eve of War With the United States!

Fleet Launch for Youmans.

Seared a Bootlegger.

County Sunday School Rally.

Special to the Journal.

Winona, Minn., Aug. 16.—Two handsome, new, gasoline launches are being added to the Winona fleet and will be ready for use within a few weeks. One being finished by C. M. Youmans is 7 1/2 feet in size, with a carrying capacity of fifty persons. This is equipped with three five-horse-power gasoline engines and will be the fleetest launch on the upper river. The other launch, of being built for Emil Miller and is somewhat smaller, the proportions being 6 1/2 feet. This will have a single horse-power engine.

ORDERED TO PANAMA

Cruiser Ranger to Go and the Philadelphia May Follow.

COMBINATION AGAINST COLOMBIA

Venezuela, Nicaragua and Ecuador to Attack Her Simultaneously.

Washington, Aug. 16.—The United States government has ordered the cruiser Ranger, now at San Diego, Cal., to-day was ordered to proceed southward to Panama. It is expected that she will be able to leave without delay, as her commander has had warning to prepare for the journey. The Ranger is a little over 1,000 tons and her speed is but six knots an hour.

The cruiser Philadelphia, which arrived at San Francisco yesterday from the Samoan islands, is to go at once into dry dock at the Mare Island yard for overhauling and general repairs. The navy department has decided that this vessel should be immediately placed in condition in order that she might be prepared if occasion arose, to go to the scene of the trouble on the isthmus.

The state department to-day issued the following:

"The department of state is advised by a telegram from Mr. Russell, chargé d'affaires in Venezuela, that the departure of the Colombian minister from Caracas was voluntary and that he has an intention of returning to his post."

Mr. Russell has taken charge of the Colombian legation property and archives during the minister's absence. Mr. Russell does not state that he has assumed charge of Colombian interests, as he was authorized to do if requested and with the assent of the Venezuelan government. It is inferred that he has not been asked to do so."

New York, Aug. 16.—News has been received in this country involving Venezuela, Nicaragua and Ecuador in the attempt of General Uribe-Urbe, the Colombian rebel leader, to overthrow the government of Colombia. A year ago it was known to the Colombian authorities that the rebels under Uribe were receiving material assistance from these republics and recent developments and information received by Colombian secret service agents confirm the belief that these countries are preparing open and simultaneous attacks upon Colombia.

It has further been learned that the plan of attack has practically been agreed upon. Large numbers of Nicaraguans have already joined the rebels in the department of Panama and it will be these marauding bands the United States will have to deal with if it becomes necessary to land marines at Colon or Panama to protect American interests on the isthmus.

Venezuela's point of attack will naturally be from the Colombian-Venezuelan border, where the recent battles are reported to have taken place between Venezuelan regiments and an invading army, commanded, according to Venezuelan authorities, by General Gonzalez Valencia. It is somewhat doubtful, however, if General Valencia had anything to do with this movement, unless war has already broken out between Venezuela and Colombia.

If the present plans are carried out the rendezvous of the Ecuadorian invaders will be in the southern part of the department of Cauca, where two Colombian rebel generals are now said to be encamped with 4,000 troops.

JURY SAYS GUILTY

Slayer of Mellem Convicted on the Fourth Ballot.

SOME SURPRISE AT THE RESULT

Motion for Arrest of Judgment to Be Heard on the 27th—Barry Full of Fight.

Langdon, N. D., Aug. 16.—William Barry, found guilty last night of murder in the first degree, and receive a life term of imprisonment as the penalty for the murder of Andrew Mellem on Jan. 3, 1901.

At 8:55 yesterday afternoon the case was given to the jury and the twelve men held Barry's fate in their hands retired to the room provided for them. About a quarter to 6 the sheriff sent word to Judge Kneeshaw and the attorneys, that the jury had reached a verdict and the verdict would not be reached last night, that an agreement had been reached.

Like a fire alarm the news spread, and in a few minutes the people were running on the sidewalks and in the middle of the street with their hats in their hands, to the courtroom. At five minutes before 6 the courtroom was crowded and the people could still be seen streaming up to the door.

In the audience were the defendant's brother, Tom, and sister, Kate. Judge Kneeshaw was in the chair, and around the tables sat the counsel, John M. Cochran and State's Attorney Dickson for the prosecution, and William Erwin, Tracy Bangs and George Crowder, for the defense. Sitting on Erwin's right, at the end of the table, was the prisoner.

As the bells were tolling the hour of 6, Judge Kneeshaw raised his hand and a faltering voice ordered the sheriff to bring in the jury. In single file they marched into the courtroom, taking their seats in the box for the last time.

First Degree Murder.

The judge then asked the question, "Gentlemen, have you agreed on a verdict?" and the defendant, William Barry, W. L. Drury, "Your honor, we have," and, stepping out of the jury box, he handed to Judge Kneeshaw the document which sealed the verdict.

Judge Kneeshaw held the document in his hand for some time before passing it to Clerk Trux, who read it aloud. After the usual caption and style of cause in the case, it read:

"We, the undersigned persons, do hereby certify that the jury, consisting of the defendant, William Barry, is guilty of murder in the first degree, and that he was sane when he did it."

The last clause in the verdict, to the effect "that he was sane when he did it," was regarded by the judge as superfluous, and in order to have the verdict in conformity with the statute he gave the jury a form and asked that they retire and fill it out, which was done. Returning, the ceremony of reading the second verdict was again gone over.

Barry sat in the accustomed position, excepting that his hands were occupied in twisting a piece of paper. The perspiration rolled off his cheeks, and his face twitched, but this was the only outward evidence he gave of his feelings on receiving the news he so little expected. Though the strain of the trial has had a noticeable effect on Barry, he never at a time lost the hope of his freedom.

How the Ballots Stood.

The first ballot stood 11 for conviction and 1 for acquittal, the second was 10 for conviction and 2 for acquittal. A third ballot was taken, with the same result as the second. A canvass was then made, and it was found that the standing for acquittal were George Olin and Ernest Sarazin. These were brought into line after an argument that lasted three-quarters of an hour, and a fourth ballot resulted unanimously for conviction.

The sticking point then came—the penalty—and was wrestled with for over an hour, four ballots being cast, the fourth being finally reached. The work of the jury, and their verdict, handed in after being out exactly two hours and ten minutes, and it was found that the last act of this great trial, which now means that William Barry shall spend the rest of his life in the state penitentiary.

New Trial Sought.

Tracy Bangs, before the court was adjourned, gave notice of a motion for a new trial, and the judge replied that the sentence would not be passed by him until the motion came up for hearing.

To say that the verdict was a surprise to a large element of the community is not to say that the majority of the people were surprised. Sentiment was divided, but the general impression was that Barry was not in the possession of his mind to such an extent that he could appreciate what he was doing when he killed Mellem, and many argue that the evidence tending to show his insanity must have been entirely disregarded.

On the other side of the question are, again, those who believe just the contrary—that he was perfectly sane, and so must pay the penalty of his own criminal act. It is argued and dated by the fact that he has in fighting the case.

Continued Until the 27th.

When court opened this morning counsel for the state and defense agreed to waive the sentencing of Barry until the 27th, and a motion for arrest of judgment will be argued and date will be set for a motion for a new trial. Neither Barry nor his attorneys have given up the fight.

BURIAL AT STILLWATER

Death of Mrs. Emeline Murdock at the Advanced Age of 90.

Special to the Journal. Stillwater, Minn., Aug. 16.—The remains of Mrs. Emeline S. Murdock, who died in Minneapolis this morning, will be brought here to-morrow for burial in Fairview cemetery. She was the mother of Mrs. J. C. Rhodes of this place and was 90 years of age. She resided several years in Taylor's Park and had a wide acquaintance. She and her husband drove from New York to Minnesota in a buggy.

Mrs. Sterling Jones of Houlton, Wis., and a little boy were involved in a collision away accident last evening near the Omaha tracks in this city, but escaped with minor bruises. With rare presence of mind Mrs. Jones lowered the buggy to the ground, and grasping the boy, jumped to the ground. The next instant the horse collided with a switch, making a wreck of the buggy and harness.

The case against Charles Cummings, chairman of the board of health of Oneka, has been continued a week.

Mrs. Cogitiant Letourneau, wife of a farmer living northwest of Stillwater, died yesterday of paralysis, aged 50, leaving her husband and five sons. The funeral will be held to-morrow from the Catholic church here.

The committee on music for the street band has engaged the Stillwater brass band and will secure another band from the outside.

The steamer Columbia brought in a large excursion yesterday, under the auspices of the Modern Woodmen.

HIGH WATER MARK

N. D. Valuation for Taxation Amounts to \$124,000,000.

MORE REVENUE THAN BEFORE

All Floating Indebtedness Can Be Paid and Many Bonds Taken Up.

Special to the Journal. Bismarck, N. D., Aug. 16.—The state board of equalization has completed its session and adjourned. It increased the valuation of property in the state over the figures returned by the county boards by \$124,000,000. It is estimated that the valuation returned by six or seven million dollars, and the increase in the purposes of taxation is approximately \$124,000,000. This is high water mark for the state, and the valuation total last year having been \$117,000,000. Members of the board were unanimous in voting the increase. The result will be to give the state more revenue than it has enjoyed during any period in its history.

The tax levy made by the state board amounts to a total of six mills on the dollar and on a valuation of \$124,000,000 will bring in something like three-quarters of a million dollars annually. The tax rate is divided as follows:

For general purposes ..... 4.0  
For wolf bounty ..... 1.0  
For bond interest ..... 1.0  
For insane asylum bonds ..... 1.0  
Total ..... 7.0

A levy for the taking up of the insane asylum bonds is authorized by the last legislature. The amount of the bonds is \$153,000, and the tax for this purpose is in addition to the tax for general revenue. The tax for general revenue purposes has not been increased by two-tenths of a mill, the levy last year having been 3.8 mills. The tax produced for general purposes this year will be \$496,000, for bond interest \$92,000 and for wolf bounty \$24,800. The latter is to be paid out of the wolf bounty certificates, of which there are approximately that amount. The insane asylum bonds will next May and will then be taken up and bonds to that extent reissued, the proceeds to go into the general fund, and the amount of the bonds will be \$1,000,000. The floating debt which has been hanging over several administrations. Out of the general fund levy will have to be paid the expense of the state education system for the remainder of the current calendar year, after which they will be supported by special levy of 1 mill.

Delinquent taxes have generally heavier this year than last, but improved crop conditions and prosperous business affairs will make the tax easier to pay, and the poor crop last year, taxes were well paid up.

The abstracts of personal property returned by the assessors and silver plate, interesting information. The total personal valuation as finally equalized is \$27,849,290, an increase of \$2,500,000 over the figure reported by the assessors. The total value of silver plate is \$2,400,000, and of this sum is represented by live stock. The abstracts show 21,414 horses, 10,910 head of cattle, valued at \$2,400,000; there are 122,608 yearlings, valued at \$1,444,110; 90,315 year-olds, valued at \$1,444,110; and 175,739 cows, valued at \$2,867,376. Under the head of "other cattle" are listed 8,730 head, valued at \$186,130.

Morton county seems to lead in number of cattle, with approximately 30,000 head. Ward county reports about 20,000 head of cattle, Emmons 17,000, Stark 11,000. Billings reports 10,000 head of cattle. The examination of the lists shows that all counties in the state return cattle, showing that the stock industry is well distributed.

There is a total number of 281,028 sheep returned, valued at \$475,801. Billings reports 62,630 head, Stark 18,000, Emmons 19,000, and Morton 29,000.

There are some peculiar returns of other personal property in gold and silver plate, there seems an alarming scarcity. The amount returned for the whole state is only \$6,525. Barnes county could find only \$100 worth of gold and silver plate, the unlucky \$13 worth; Cass returns \$3,824; Cavalier and Dickey counties have none. Emmons county assessors found \$2 worth, as did Morton and Stark counties. Billings county assessors found \$2 worth, as did Morton and Stark counties. Billings county assessors found \$2 worth, as did Morton and Stark counties.

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A short time ago A. B. McDonald came up to agitate the question. He circulated a petition and readily found signers. The petition was then taken to the governor and he was asked to name commissioners

BULLDOCK'S FIRE MEN

Black Hills Has the Largest Fire Company in the World.

WILL PROTECT RESERVE FORESTS

Service Given for Special Permits to Pasture Cattle on the Government Lands.

Special to the Journal. Deadwood, S. D., Aug. 16.—Captain Seth Bullock, the new forest supervisor of the Black Hills, has organized the largest fire company in the world. Every member is giving his services without pay, yet is expected to be on duty constantly.

Some time ago the secretary of the Interior department ordered permitting people to graze cattle on the forest reserve to the full limit of 7,000 head for the million or more acres. A man can have four or less head of cattle on a permit, but beyond that number to a limit of 120 he must ask permission of the supervisor, showing that he has the proper range and that he intends to comply with the law. A proviso was inserted which makes it compulsory for every man raising cattle to assist in the putting out of forest fires.

Until recently this part of the order has not been put into effect. Forest Supervisor Bullock has now obtained the name of every man who has availed himself of this cattle order, and twenty-five brigades have been organized. There are twenty divisions on the reserve, each being in charge of a ranger, whose duty it is to see that the laws governing the reserve are complied with. When a fire breaks out the cattle raisers are expected to respond immediately. The first man at the fire is to have full charge of the operations until the ranger arrives. In case the fire gets beyond control of one division of cattlemen and ranger, word is to be sent immediately to an adjoining district and all of the people there are expected to come to their rescue.

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The cattle grazers all over the Hills are taking interest in this original plan of Captain Bullock, and as a consequence several hundred men stand on guard constantly to put out forest fires. There are fully 7,000 head of cattle on the reserve. No sheep are allowed. It is considered a fine thing for the forest to have the grass kept down by the stock.

DELINQUENT TAX DECISION

Privilege of Redemption at Face Extended by South Dakota Judge.

Special to the Journal. Sioux Falls, S. D., Aug. 16.—An important order bearing on the payment of delinquent taxes has been entered by Judge Jones. The county commissioners some time ago passed a resolution permitting the payment of back taxes at the face value, omitting penalty and interest. This offer was taken advantage of by a great many who liquidated back taxes, but others seemed not to be understood it. Then came the publication of the delinquent tax list under what is known as the "scavenger tax law," and after that, according to the terms of the law, judgment of the court is being put up by two or three hundred tax payers who are unable to pay. Property owners in the meanwhile have sought the county treasurer for the privilege of redemption under the resolution mentioned. The treasurer was compelled to refuse on the ground that no longer was operative, and that the matter was in the hands of the court. On motion of the county, Judge Jones has now entered an order extending the privilege of redemption at the face of the tax where certificates are held by the county. Therefore those who neglected to pay delinquent taxes before the publication of the list now have another opportunity.

ROW IN A CHURCH

Courtenay, N. D., Pastor and a Citizen Come to Blows.

Special to the Journal. Jamestown, N. D., Aug. 16.—A row is on in the Presbyterian church at Courtenay and the members are lined up in the army. A faction has formed for the removal of C. A. Sanford from the position of trustee, but gave no reasons and the presbytery rejected the petition.

Several of the opposing factions went to Casselton to see the presbytery and at Valley City a personal encounter between E. F. Horn, a prominent resident of Courtenay, and the Presbyterian pastor, Rev. Mr. Steele, who is being urged to resign. The latter remarked to Mr. Horn that he was "a Scotchman and as good as any lousy American." This made Mr. Horn very angry and Rev. Mr. Steele escaped a greater personal blow only by sidestepping rapidly. A movement has been started to compel Rev. Mr. Steele to resign.

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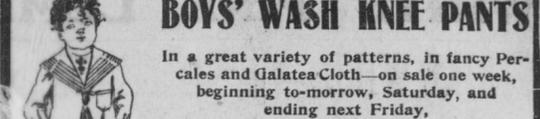
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Elevator for Windsor.

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to effect organization as soon as possible. This he positively refused to do. The matter then taken to the presbytery court and as that body was not in session it has not yet taken action. In the meantime it is taking some money to carry the case through all of its meanderings and this is being put up by two or three gentlemen of Thompson, who expect to locate the new county seat.

The petitioners asked for a mandamus from the court compelling the governor to organize the county. The legal authorities say that the court cannot grant the prayer, as the governor has certain discretionary powers which cannot be infringed upon. It is thought the only way in which the re-organization of the old county of Renville can be effected is through a costly course of litigation.

Kindergarten for Conservatory.

Special to the Journal. Yankton, S. D., Aug. 16.—In addition to other features a new department of kindergarten work will be given at the Yankton Conservatory this fall. The military feature of the state fair is assuming far greater proportions than ever before. The supporters hoped for when the movement started. The Yankton county commissioners and the business men club will give about \$50 for the benefit of the state guards, who are to be put in uniform by Governor Herreid and to hold a big camp fire on one of the mountains of the state. The state will be invited.

Routes Out of Holloway.

Special to the Journal. Appleton, Minn., Aug. 16.—Holloway, a small town six miles east of here, is to be the starting point of two free delivery routes, one to the west and one to the east. Master Boyle recently started the movement and now has long petitions ready for presentation to the department. The routes will be parallel, extending northward nearly to the county line between Stevens and Swift.

Found a \$100 Pearl.

Special to the Journal. Winona, Minn., Aug. 16.—A stranger who came to Winona about a week ago and hired a skiff for pearl hunting, without giving his name, has just made a good find in Crooked

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