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Lords of the North: We wish to call the attention of our readers to the serial story which begins in The Journal to-day. This is done because we know that we are offering them something in this new novel very much above the ordinary of current fiction.

The scenes are laid in the Canadian northwest, in the land of our next-door neighbors. The period is the early years of the last century, and among the characters are men conspicuous in the history of the far northwest in the days of the pioneer and the trapper.

Is bovine tuberculosis ever transmitted to human beings? The state veterinarian of Colorado believes Dr. Koch is right, and that it is not. He offers himself as a subject for experiment in the cause of scientific truth.

The New Ireland: Michael Davitt, an Irish leader whom every one respects for his patriotic and moral stand on nearly all Irish questions, is engaged in a rather Quixotic attempt to prevent Irish emigration to America.

Wireless Telegraphy at Sea: A notable success in the operation of wireless telegraphy is described in the dispatches to-day telling the story of communication with the Cunard steamship Lucania yesterday when messages were received while the ship was yet at sea.

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Port Needs a Rest: Alexandria (S. D.) Herald. If his former life was judged by his latest poem, Rudyard Kipling needs a long rest and some sort of a brain and nerve tonic.

and not against them. In the meantime Mr. Davitt, statesman and patriot, as he is, is waging a losing fight. Senator Dewey sailed from Southampton for America to-day. He has spent some time in Paris interviewing Panama stockholders and French government officials.

The Course of Business: Two factors are working against a normal business condition: the summer vacation and the steel disturbance. It makes a great deal of difference with an investment market whether the leaders are dividing their attention with the market and pleasure-seeking.

The Monuments We Do Not Erect: By far the greater number of charges brought against America and Americans by those who write with pens dipped in European envy and gall are without foundation, but there is one criticism to which we may plead guilty and seek for pardon—the lack of tangible appreciation of American men of letters.

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in which they are regarded by the republican politicians of the state. It is no wonder that Hennepin county cuts so little figure in state politics, and it is reasonably certain that the county will continue to be very much less influential than it ought to be so long as the present style of politics continues. Two ships have been ordered to Panama by our government, and others have been instructed to be in readiness to move in that direction when required.

The Duluth Commercial Record has a size-up of the flux situation. The Commercial Record's record on predicting flux prices makes present attempts somewhat in the line of American newspaper humor.

Recognition of the great men of the republic, not only in letters, but in all lines of life, serves a two-fold object; it is a lasting proof that republics are not necessarily ungrateful, and, second, it is a source of inspiration to those who are yet in the midst of the fight. This country has not entered upon a career of unexampled prosperity. It is an era of unexampled gift-giving, also, and out of such an era should come an adequate recognition of the men and women who have made so high a mark in the realm of literature.

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A. N. Dare, former speaker of the house, expresses his opinion of the governorship question in his paper, the Elk River Star. He agrees with The Journal on the general position that the Van Sant opposition is likely to find itself without a leader, simply because no one can be expected to stand up with a handicap such as he would have to carry after defeating the governor for re-nomination.

The Star News' editorial is as follows: The Minnesota gubernatorial election is no getting back of the fact that there is no serious opposition in Hennepin county to the re-nomination of the incumbent. To be absolutely frank, the opposition is not confined to Hennepin county, but extends all over the state. Republicans everywhere concede that the governor can be re-nominated if he wants it, but we might as well face the situation frankly and say that there is no particular enthusiasm in favor of a proceeding at the present time. There is no other candidate in the field, and it is doubtful if any other candidate will be nominated.

We give the governor and his friends credit for sufficient acumen to know that these conditions exist, and are confident that every effort will be made to secure a re-nomination, and now convention time. Of course appointments to the board of directors, and the sort of left will be largely decided by him, and the governor will only get loose from some of the political fetters which are fastened upon him simply because of what there is in it for them.

A republican state senator took the same view of the situation when in St. Paul a few days ago. He said: "The only man in Minnesota who could take the place of the late Governor Van Sant is Bob Evans. He will not be a candidate. My opinion is wise to keep out of it. He can't get the nomination, and he would eventually lose the senate, were we to put him last winter. Evans could be a good man to have in the senate, but to turn Van Sant down would cause such a split in the party that we would not be able to get on our feet. The situation would be similar to that in 1888, when Eustis was kicked by the general opinion."

The Appleton Tribune says the talk about John Lind returning to the republican party is premature. After the late declaration at the Minneapolis banquet, when he "burned all bridges behind him by declaring that hereafter and henceforth he was an independent republican." The Appleton Tribune continues: "This declaration may not prevent John Lind from wishing to again become a republican. It will make a very big mistake, however, if it will prevent many republicans from believing in the sincerity of his conversion."

The coming visit of Vice President Roosevelt has started presidential talk in Minnesota to an unusual degree so early in the autumnal term. The St. Cloud Journal-Press says: "Minnesota will give Vice President Roosevelt a strenuous welcome next month when he comes to open the new bridge. Teddy is a long favorite in the northwest, and his admirers think he will be a good man to succeed William McKinley. The people of this section will do well to keep their eyes open for a 'conspiracy' of their kind, which is liable to carry off the good of the state."

The Ortonville Herald-Star observes: "Minnesota will unquestionably be for Roosevelt for president next year, and the fear of the Alexander Post-News that Mark Hanna may be able to prevent our sending Roosevelt delegates to the national convention is unfounded. Any man who rises up to do the bidding of Mark Hanna in this state will get scalped too quick. Minnesota will vote for Teddy now and hereafter. Teddy next year, and Teddy's friends are not the kind to permit any interference from the bosses." C. B. C.

NO HOME TRADE: The board of control will buy, as it should buy, wherever in the state it gets goods cheapest. So long as reasonable prices are charged the orders ought to go outside of the state from which the goods come to the institutions. But no state institution should be regarded as a local snarl, and that includes the state university.—Minneapolis Journal.

There is no more reason for confining these purchases to the state than to the local institutions unless persons are engaged in the interests of the people locally to get appropriations and support. The representative in the legislature from an institutional town should be very particular to see that the institution that he represents is not a country and so far as its limits extend there should be no exclusiveness of trade. These institutions will get from their constituents all that can be bought there to advantage, their meats, vegetables, etc., and the employees will still trade with the local market. Then if the state is to buy coal and wholesale dealers can't meet Chicago prices, buy in Chicago.

Grant County Herald. Minnesota is said to be the bread and butter state, but the board of control doesn't know it. Yesterday the state board of control ordered the purchase of flour for the state institutions to be made in Grant County. The board doesn't patronize home institutions the people will take a slam at them and knock them out of existence. The wholesale houses of the twin cities supply nearly all the groceries used by the taxpayers of the state. Is there any good reason why they shouldn't furnish groceries for the state's wards? We understand that the Federal government is contemplating the building of a insane asylum in this locality was not good enough for the insane asylum, and that the matter will be referred to the state board of control. Our farmers will be interested to hear that the state board of control is so anxious to get the meat they raise and which most of us who are fortunate enough to be out of the asylum and poorhouse are glad to eat when we are hungry. The state board of control is the crazy folk that are being cared for in the state asylums.

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Bateman smiled to himself as he saw Hinkley striding angrily up and down the course. His companion was not noted for an angelic temper, and the non-appearance of the caddy, whom the keeper had promised to send him by o'clock, evidently irritated him. He particularly wanted to get in a few afternoon's practice at driving, his weak point; for he had an appointment at the links the next morning with Miss Van Trees, and he wished to make the best possible appearance. To use a slang expression, Hinkley "had designs" on the young lady.

The previous winter, when he had been trying to get a lady, he had met her at Monte Carlo, with the usual result, he had met Mrs. Van Trees and daughter, who were passing through Monaco. During their short stay in the principality he had been a devoted attendant, and he had, a few days later, prided himself that he had made a decided impression.

He had been very busy trying to straighten out his financial affairs, and he had had gradually forgotten all about the young lady, till this summer he found she was staying at the same watering-place, when he had immediately presented himself. It is not to be imagined that he was in love with Miss Van Trees, as, in fact, he had just been telling Bateman, who attempted to rally him on his melancholia, attributing it to love-sickness. No, indeed, it was no question of sentiment. Personally he considered Marcia Van Trees rather dull and uninteresting. Perhaps the fact that Peter Van Trees owned controlling interest in the Little Annie gold mine in Arizona, which was paying some annual dividends of 9 per cent, had something to do with his devotion.

Morally Hinkley was about as fit for a young girl to honor and obey as the snakes in the grass, but as he was remarkably good looking, dressed in the perfectest of every season, and was something of a conversationalist, he trusted that, with enough time he would easily be able to add one more victim to his list of conquests. He was not a question of sentiment. Personally he considered Marcia Van Trees rather dull and uninteresting. Perhaps the fact that Peter Van Trees owned controlling interest in the Little Annie gold mine in Arizona, which was paying some annual dividends of 9 per cent, had something to do with his devotion.

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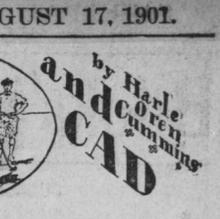
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"You blooming dog," muttered the stick-bearer to himself, as two great tears forced themselves from his blue eyes and ran down his sun-burned cheeks, "I'll cook you for this." Hinkley would probably have gone for the lad again had not Bateman interferred. "Let him alone," he called. "He'll be leaving us if you don't stop monkeying with him."

And, indeed, he was too valuable a caddy to lose. He found every ball that they lost, and was always on hand with the right club, and he showed a most unbecoming interest in the conversation of Hinkley. Bateman called the attention of his friend to the fact that in the afternoon, and advised him to be more careful. "You've said before the boy. Hinkley had just finished another emphatic denial of any tender feeling towards Miss Van Trees. 'If I can only get my hands on a few blocks of the Little Annie stock, it's all I ask.'"

"Even so, you needn't mount to the treetops and shout it to all the world. I've seen this little fellow caddying for that same young lady before you arrived. When, a couple of hours later, tired out and ready to go home, Hinkley offered the caddy some money, strange to say, that youth refused it, merely remarking that he had disappeared over the brow of the hill where they had first seen him. 'You'd better keep your eyes on him, you'll see all yourself when the other scheme falls through.'"

"What do you suppose he meant?" asked Hinkley, unable to understand either the action or answer. "Didn't take your money because you hit him, I suppose," answered Bateman. "And as for his remark, he probably heard the scheme you were publishing broadcast in regard to your said profit by it and plan internally after this."

That night, at the dance given at The Breakwater, Hinkley met Miss Van Trees, dressed in a suit of black, while he wore a first time in his life he actually admired her. Great was his surprise, however, to be treated with the most chilling frigidity. He inquired of her, and she merely said, "I am so far as to cancel the engagement for golf next day."

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