

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS OF THE NORTHWEST.

MINNESOTA

PIPESTONE, MINN.—The democrats will open the campaign in Pipestone on Monday evening. The speakers will be C. N. Andrews of Mankato, candidate for congress, and George F. Jones of Luverne, candidate for clerk of the supreme court.

FERGUS FALLS, MINN.—Two big bankruptcy cases were filed in the United States court, the first being that of Sumner Bagley, a young man of Fergus Falls who places his assets at \$17,378.32, of which \$1,750 is exempt and his liabilities at \$29,975.55.

HUTCHINSON, MINN.—Dr. John Benjamin, one of the best known McLeod county pioneers and father of Drs. A. E. and W. G. Benjamin of Minneapolis, is dead at the age of almost 80 years.

ST. CLOUD, MINN.—The annual session of the Minneapolis conference of the Minnesota Evangelical association came to a close last night when Rev. J. M. Baileigh of Minneapolis was elected president.

WINONA, MINN.—The line of defense in the Nussloch trial was outlined by Attorney L. L. Brown and the first witness, the defendant himself, Henry Nussloch.

CROOKSTON, MINN.—The fire department held its annual parade and was witnessed by members of the city council and many citizens.

FARIBAULT, MINN.—The Rice County Medical society has been organized with the following officers: Dr. F. M. Rose of Faribault, president; W. J. Hunt of Northfield, and R. N. Jackson of Faribault vice presidents; F. R. Huxley of Faribault, secretary; W. H. Robillard of Faribault, treasurer; Doctors Brubaker of Northfield, Rogers of Faribault, and Dargavel of Morrisville, censors.

MORRIS, MINN.—The report of the First National bank of Morris, three months old, shows deposits of \$13,113.17 and demand certificates of deposits of \$9,280.38.

ROCHESTER, MINN.—The October apportionment of the state school fund to Olmsted county has been received by County Auditor Walden. Olmsted county is to receive \$30,000.

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has 4,018 district pupils who have attended the required forty days or over, during the past year, and in this city there are 982 who receive \$1.00 for the tuition of the county and city schools aggregates \$10,002.

ELMORE, MINN.—The football season opened yesterday when Elmore met the Bart eleven and defeated them, 16 to 0. The Elmore team has held the championship of southern Minnesota for two years, and for three years has only been beaten four times, the last time by Humboldt, a challenge any team in northern Minnesota or northern Iowa.

DULUTH, MINN.—Thomas Fenlon of Tower, who is under arrest for shooting the Bart eleven, with fatal results, was brought to the county jail. He is sick with typhoid fever and very weak. He says that Anderson made an unprovoked assault on both himself and wife.

BELLE PLAINE, MINN.—Mrs. Judge Chaffield, widow of the late Judge Chaffield, died from old age. She was 85 years old. She came here from Wisconsin in 1854 and was the oldest resident of Belle Plaine.

AUSTIN, MINN.—The library board opened the bids for the Austin Carnegie free library. The lowest bid was that of \$1,486, by H. Waterman, and was accepted. Work will begin immediately.

BEMIDJI, MINN.—Judge McClenahan last night pronounced sentence upon George LaDue for the murder of Eugene Laughtlin, giving him eighteen years at Stillwater.

SPRING VALLEY, MINN.—The first republican speech of the campaign was delivered last evening by Dan F. Reese of St. Paul to a good sized audience.

LANESBORO, MINN.—At a special election Lanesboro voted \$6,000 municipal bonds for the purchase of the Lanesboro Electric company's property.

NEW PAYNESVILLE, MINN.—Congressman Frank Eddy is scheduled to speak at New Paynesville Oct. 16, and St. Cloud Oct. 24.

HENNING, MINN.—John Mechalt, while hunting ducks, was accidentally shot in the arm.

INVADING CANADA

The Northwest Colonization Company in the Van of a History-Making Movement.

The time is coming when it will be recognized that the great northwestern American land companies, which have put Canadian lands before people who hardly thought of the existence of Canada, formerly will be acknowledged as having taken a conspicuous part in determining the future of a small portion of the American continent. These companies having swept over the field in Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa and the Dakotas, they have been in the fettle and keen training for the exploitation of Canadian lands. They had early in their operations appreciated the worth of prairie Canada, and when the hour of Canada's destiny struck, as some phrase-maker has it, the American land companies made a strike.

In the van of the companies that altogether have bought 25,000,000 acres—half the area of Minnesota—in western Canada, is the Northwest Colonization company, 422-434 Endicott building, St. Paul, of the Minnesota Land and Colonization company, this aggregation of enterprise had sold hundred of thousands of acres of Minnesota park region lands, being parts of Northern Pacific and Great Northern land grants, before it entered Canada at all. At first operating in Manitoba only, it soon extended its field of ownership to Assinibola, at that time taking the name of the Northwest Colonization company.

O. A. Robertson, one of the strongest men in the land business, is president; F. B. Kirtland, the well-known Minneapolis banker and manufacturer, is vice president; F. B. Lynch is secretary; H. W. Donovan, assistant secretary; S. A. Harris, treasurer, and J. C. Wood, assistant treasurer.

As an operator in Canadian lands, this company has proceeded with the same energy, the same scrupulous regard for agreements, the same accommodating spirit, the same generosity that characterized it as a Minnesota corporation and a seller of Minnesota lands. It has simply joined the northwestern trend of the land business. The Illinois man moves into Iowa, the Iowa man moves into Minnesota or the Dakotas, the Minnesota man moves north into the Dakotas or Wisconsin or the Dakotas, and the northern Minnesota and Dakota men cross the boundary into Canada. Lately they have been to leap from Iowa and Illinois to Canada in a single jump.

The Northwest Colonization company was on the ground early enough to pick up some of the best wholesale bargains to be found in Manitoba, even at a time when the Manitobans did not fully appreciate the value of their own lands. In Assinibola this company bought from the Canadian Pacific Railway company some of the best selections of land in that southeastern portion of Assinibola, which is considered by many experts not only the best part of Assinibola, but the best hard-wheat land in the whole world. The company's sales during the past season have been very large and the number of land seekers it is weekly dispatching to its tracts, and the movement of settlers into its part of Assinibola and Manitoba will soon be larger than ever. At the Illinois state fair last week the company's sales were presented by John H. Douglas, whom more than a hundred people promised to visit the company's lands this fall and winter.

All signs point to an interest in Canadian lands this coming year far surpassing anything Canada has ever known. English and French, as well as American capital is pouring in, and a sharp advance in land prices is predicted by all the knowing ones. The vast maw of the land hungry millions of America is even equal to the task of hastily devouring all the cheap lands of far-flung Canada.

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VOTERS TAKE LITTLE INTEREST

Best Campaigners in Iowa Are Amazed at the Indifference.

DES MOINES, IOWA.—The state chairman and county chairman of the republican and the democratic committees are struggling with the proposition of how to remove the general indifference that seems to prevail among the voters of the state. Up to this time all efforts to get rid of the listlessness that seems to exist everywhere have been useless. The best-known spellbinders of both parties fail to draw large crowds, and the democratic orators are doing no better. The republican campaign management has taken up the question of getting the vote out with vigor. Schoolhouse campaigns will be made in many counties. Letters of a personal nature will be written to voters just before election day. The most unique effort in this direction, however, will be the liberal use of the telephone on election day. As many communities in the state are covered with networks of telephone wires, this method will, it is thought, be very effective.

Two cases of leprosy in this state have been reported to the board of health. Dr. J. F. Kennedy, secretary, is investigating the case. One of the patients is a Norwegian woman living at Humboldt and the other is a man at Gilmore City.

Arguments in the appeal of Matt Hunter of Mt. Airy have been submitted to the supreme court. Hunter is in Fort Madison penitentiary serving a term for the murder of Homer Holland of Mt. Airy, one of the best known athletes in the state. The supreme court will probably decide Hunter's case this term.

The new law requiring civil service in the operation of the police and fire departments of Des Moines is about to become effective. The police and fire commission, which was appointed some weeks ago, has announced the results of its first examination. From the list of eligibles, appointments will be made for each department. Eighty-two men have passed the examination for policemen. Of this number forty-one are now on the force. Of the thirty-nine applicants for positions as firemen, only three were appointed. Out of these, Chief Burnett will soon appoint twenty-eight to positions. Of this number twenty-two old men who passed the examination will be re-appointed.

SIoux CITY IOWA.—A dispatch from Washington yesterday gave the details of the report of the captain of the ship Celtic, concerning the drowning of Lieutenant Fred Holman, of Sioux City, near New Zealand, Aug. 14. The story told by the captain is peculiar. He says that Holman was ill, but retired to his cabin on the 13th in fine spirits, saying he would resume work the next day. The next morning his bed was found to be empty and not a trace of Holman could be discovered.

CLINTON, IOWA.—Clinton is making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of W. H. Moody, secretary of the navy, who is to speak in this city Saturday evening. The opera house, where Mr. Moody will speak, is being especially decorated. L. W. Barker, an attorney in this city, has invented a mail crane. Its main feature is that the arm on which the pouch hangs drops immediately after the mail is deposited. The crane is constantly menaced by the arm of the crane now in use. A little romance has just come to light here, the principal figures being Irene Jensen and Ollie Schultz, who went to Morrison, Ill., about a month ago and were married. They returned, and nothing was said of the marriage until yesterday.

OTO, IOWA.—It develops that the failure of the private bank of Cutting & Willlet, was due, partly at least, to speculation on the board of trade. Indirectly, the failure is the result of the litigation between the Weare Commission company of Chicago, and the McNeil Grain company of Sioux City. The former concern held out from the McNeil company \$32,000, asserting it had been defrauded as a result of a conspiracy by Mr. McNeil. Of this sum, some \$12,000 was due the Oto bank. It could not be paid and the affairs of the bank soon became badly tangled.

IOWA CITY, IOWA.—The fifth annual convention of the League of Iowa Municipalities closed here to-day. The following officers were elected: President, Mayor J. A. Walter, McGregor; first vice president, Mayor Ellis D. Robb, Eldora; second vice president, Mayor J. J. Martin, Waterloo; third vice president, Mayor J. A. Lockyer, Cherokee; secretary, treasurer, F. G. Pierce, Marshalltown; finance committee, J. F. Leech, Mt. Pleasant; A. W. Taylor, Spencer; W. H. Schooley, Indianola. The next meeting place will be Waterloo.

MARSHALLTOWN, IOWA.—Judge Obed Caswell gave a case involving the setting aside of titles to real estate. The court holds that it has a right at any time to remove a cloud from the title to real property without regard to the statute of limitations. There appears to be a combination of coal dealers on the questions of furnishing coal for the county. The board of supervisors at its last meeting decided that if an attempt to hold up the county was made, the contract would be given to the lowest bidder.

ORANGE CITY, IOWA.—John Hansen, who on Wednesday shot his wife at Alton, has been brought here and is in jail. He awoke yesterday from his spree, sobored, badly frightened and thoroughly repentant. His concern is not for his wife, but for himself. He expects the limit of punishment if she dies.

GLADSBROOK, IOWA.—Henry Eberhart, living near Beaman, met with a distressing accident yesterday. While fixing the belt on a cylinder pulley of a threshing machine his left hand was caught in such a manner that it was torn completely from the arm.

DES MOINES, IOWA.—James Marcus, the colored coachman accused of murdering a white man, was sentenced to a year's imprisonment for a violent assault with intent to do great bodily injury, and sentenced to a year.

MICHIGAN

AMONG THE COPPERS

Assessment of the Order of the Day—Money Made in Speculation.

HOUGHTON, MICH.—The assessment season has been started with great eclat. The soiree of the Adventure, at \$2 a share, called for about 1,100 invitations, there being about that many shareholders. The \$2 a share invitation, however, has been sold in the hands of personal investors to \$90 or more investors. The decision of the Victoria management to have a modest little entertainment at \$1 is a news item of the day.

The delays of the new mill of the Mohawk have been merely a repetition of the exasperating holdbacks met with at a number of other mills. The Mohawk will feed two stamps at the mill as soon as it goes into commission, and as rapidly as circumstances will warrant, \$2 a share invitation, however, has been sold in the hands of personal investors to \$90 or more investors. The decision of the Victoria management to have a modest little entertainment at \$1 is a news item of the day.

SOUTH DAKOTA

ORGANIZED BY HOME MEN

New Hills Mining Company with 600 Acres of Mineral Land.

DEADWOOD, S. D.—Prominent Black Hills men have recently organized the Potomac Gold Mining company, with a capital stock of \$2,500,000, for the purpose of operating on 600 acres of mineral land adjoining that of the Spearfish Gold Mining and Reduction company and the Deadwood-Standard company, at Ragged Top, Lawrence county. The officers are William Lardner, president; John Gray, vice president; W. L. McLaughlin, secretary, and Albert J. Malterner, treasurer. A part of the company's property has been patented and is ready to be entered at the land office.

Roderick A. Murray has taken a lease on the Ontario-Wanda mine near Galena and is taking it over for shipment to the National smelter of the Horseshoe company at Rapid City.

Charles Greer of Newcastle, Pa., one of the heaviest stockholders in the Ruby mine, undoubtedly has been visiting the Black Hills. His company is taking out of an excellent grade on the Portland claim, near Galena, and will begin hauling for shipment to a smelter.

The Imperia Mining company, cleaned up \$12,000 at its new cyanide plant in Deadwood last month. This, with the values in solution and ore in bins at the plant, makes the business for the month up to \$16,000.

ROUBAIX, S. D.—The Lucky Strike Mining company, composed of stockholders from eastern South Dakota, northwestern Iowa and western Minnesota, has decided to erect a small stamp mill on its mining property on Box Elder creek. Three large veins of free milling ore have been revealed. One of these is exposed to a distance of 6,000 feet along its strike.

The property is in one of the richest free milling districts of the Black Hills. A vein of inspection to the Homestake belt, showing all the general characteristics. The Homestake Mining company, has returned to a visit of inspection to the Alaska-Treadwell mine on Douglas Island, and he gives out some interesting facts and figures concerning that property.

ASSASSINATED IN THE SOUTH

Editor Robinson, Once of South Dakota, Killed in a Political Feud.

HIGHMORE, S. D.—The late Editor Sherman B. Robinson of Winchester, Tenn., who was shot down in the streets of that town, was the son of George L. F. Robinson of this place. Editor Robinson was a prominent man in the early days of the settlement of this locality, having come here from Illinois in 1832, when but a lad. He learned the printer's trade and from here he went to Seneca, Pa., where he established the Seneca Sun, which he published until the fall of 1851, when he went to Winchester, Tenn., and engaged in the newspaper business, which terminated in the tragedy. He leaves a wife and five children. The following dispatch from Winchester gives the details of the shooting:

Editor S. B. Robinson was shot by Attorney George E. Banks and died from internal hemorrhage. The trouble grew out of the late judicial campaign. Editor Robinson supported Allison, the democratic nominee, until the last week of the campaign, and then for reasons which he considered sufficient, withdrew his support and supported Jesse M. Lusk. Two nights prior to the election, Mr. Banks in a speech charged Robinson with selling out and said that he had been a republican in Dakota before he came to Winchester. At the election Mr. Robinson took the matter up in his paper and commented upon the charge in vigorous terms, branding the statements as lies. Wednesday afternoon Editor Robinson had to pass Mr. Banks' office while he was standing in the doorway. He had almost gotten by, when Banks halted him and said: "Did you write that article?" "I did," replied Robinson. "You're a d-d liar," said Banks, and fired, shooting the editor in the stomach. Robinson grappled with Banks and would have killed him with his own revolver, but citizens separated the men.

PIERRE, S. D.—Articles of incorporation have been filed for the Rorer Lumber company at Pierre, with a capital of \$250,000. The Pratt Sanitary Manufacturing company at Pierre, with a capital of \$2,500,000. The Co-operative Investment company at Pierre, with a capital of \$500,000. The Dunbar-Roe Mining company at Pierre, with a capital of \$1,000,000. The Colorado Verde Plantation, Limited, at Huron, with a capital of \$100,000. The Rio Grande & Southern Vermillion, with a capital of \$1,000,000. The Ford Manufacturing company at Huron, with a capital of \$50,000. The United States Standard Publishing company at Huron with a capital of \$100,000. The South Dakota Corporation and Fran-chise company at Huron, with a capital of \$100,000. The Rio Grande & Southern Gold Mining company at Pierre, with a capital of \$500,000.

SPEARFISH, S. D.—J. W. Driskill, one of the pioneer cattlemen of the northern range, intends to leave in a few weeks for South America, where he expects to engage in the cattle business on an extensive scale. He will visit Paraguay and Uruguay, where, from information he has received, there are exceptional opportunities to obtain land grants and to buy cattle at good figures. Mr. Driskill learned the cattle business under his father, one of the early cattle barons of Texas, and came north on the Chisholm trail with the first herd that was turned out in northern Wyoming, twenty-five years ago. He recently sold his herd in Wyoming.—T. N. Matthews is drilling for artesian water at the base of Lookout mountain. The drill is down 500 feet, and it is expected that a flow will be obtained at about 800 feet.

CANTON, S. D.—The political situation in this county, which was unsettled shortly after the republican county convention, is becoming a very one-sided affair. The movement recently started by the populists, democrats, bolting republicans and prohibitionists will be a failure. About half the candidates named by the recent independent convention have withdrawn. Chief among these is Professor C. G. Lawrence, who was tendered the nomination for superintendent. Asa Farrest, who was appointed chairman of the independent campaign committee, refuses to act. Republican stock is rapidly advancing and the entire ticket will be elected.

BELLE FOURCHE, S. D.—The Butte county fair opened to-day and promises to be the most successful ever held in the Black Hills. There is a large and varied exhibit of cattle, sheep, horses, hogs, poultry, grains, fruits and vegetables. The displays of potatoes, apples, wheat and oats are especially fine. The attendance for the first day was large. A special train was run from Deadwood and Lead. People have come in by the hundreds from the immediate surrounding country.

ARLINGTON, S. D.—The Chicago & Northwestern Railway company is making preparations for the shipment to its station and put in a new platform. Cement walks, ten feet wide, are being laid on the main streets. Threshing in this vicinity is almost finished. The yield of grain is: Wheat, 15 to 25 bushels an acre; oats, from 40 to 75 bushels; barley, from 30 to 45 bushels. Fall plowing is well under headway.

HOT SPRINGS, S. D.—The Shakspeare club elected Mrs. W. W. Stewart and Miss Ada Osmotherly delegates to attend the Federation of Women's clubs in Spearfish on Oct. 18 and 19.

SCOTLAND, S. D.—George Stamp, agent for the J. H. Geale Lumber company at Menno, died at that place last night of typhoid fever.

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MILWAUKEE, WIS.—The Tweedy shooting case was settled out of court the complaint receiving \$100 for his trouble and the defendant removing the fence over which the dispute and subsequent shooting resulted. A. K. Abrattis has brought suit against John Slaughter, colored, and Cully Thornton, white, to recover \$1,004, which he says he lost in gambling in the turf gambling house, run by the defendants and chiefly patronized by negroes. This is one of the wide open places against which the ministers' association and others have made frequent complaint. The defendants enter a general denial.

WAUKESHA, WIS.—In Walla Walla, Wash., there died a few days ago Thomas M. Rowe, a man of wealth, who had resided in that city for forty years and yet had told no one of his past history. In a notebook in one of the coat pockets was found the name Nellie Chase, Waukesha, Wis. The sheriff's office has not received notification of the matter and is trying to locate the woman, who may be some relative of Mr. Rowe. The name of Nellie Chase does not appear either in the city or county directory.

EAU CLAIRE, WIS.—At a mass meeting last night several hundred voters listened to a presentation of political issues by Henry P. Peterson of Superior for the republicans, Peter O. Stromme of Madison for the democrats and B. B. Haughn of Fergus Falls for the prohibitionists. All the addresses were in Norwegian.

NEW RICHMOND, WIS.—Miss Freda Annette Williams, daughter of ex-Mayor Ward S. Williams, and one of New Richmond's most talented young ladies, died of typhoid fever contracted in Chippewa Falls, where she was one of the teachers. The consideration is close to \$1,000,000.

MERRILL, WIS.—The A. H. Strange company has closed a deal whereby it comes into possession of a large group of standing pine at the head of Lake Superior, in Minnesota, near Duluth. The consideration is close to \$1,000,000.