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M MARX,

OF THE NEW YORK STORE, AT HASTINGS,

is selling his entire stock of

DRY GOODS AND CLOTHING,

AT PANIC PRICES.

For Wheat at $1.00 Per Bushel.

ALL GOODS WARRANTED as REPRESENTED

OR MONEY RETURNED.

STATE NEWS.

THE Duluth *Herald* says there are about five hundred Colonels in that little city.

THE Lanesboro *Citrion* doesn't even issue certified checks; it doesn't issue itself.

A MR. LE SUEUR of Nininger has five acres of potatoes frozen in the ground.

SENATOR BOUTWELL, while in Mankato, was the guest of ex-Senator Wilkinson.

TWENTY-TWO coal stoves have been put in operation for the first time in Lake City this fall.

MAJ. H. B. STRAIT slarted for Washington Monday to be on hand at the opening of Congress.

AND now a load of wood tipped over in Fillmore county and broke the thigh of a little son of David Overend.

THE residence of T. C. White, Auditor of Isanti county, was destroyed by fire on the 19th ult. Loss $1,000.

WHAT will not those brakemen do next? One on the Sioux City road fell the other day and fractured his nose.

GIBSON'S herd of short horns on the Oakwood farm in Meeker county, has been increased this fall to about fifty head.

THE poor muskrat is being dragged out by all the country exchanges to prove that we are going to have a mild winter.

OLE KNUTSON, of Red Wing, fell from a load of wood the other day, and the wagon passed over him breaking both legs.

THE Mankato *Review* styles Mr. E. P. Freeman, the "most populous Senator in the State," his majority counting up 2,700.

THE largest individual tax-payer in Anoka county, is Mr. A. Davis. His real estate and personal tax this year, is over $450.

SAMUEL ELLIS, a saloon keeper at Owatonna, paid a fine of $72 the other day, on account of keeping gambling devices in his saloon.

MRS. GREELEY of Stillwater, 90 years old, whose hearing has been imparired for thirty years, has recently fully recovered the sense.

THOMAS JORGENSON of Hartland, in Freeborn county, made insane by the loss of property, has been received into the State Asylum at St. Peter.

THE editor of the Wabasha *Herald*, who thinks he can appreciate merit, is republishing as literary articles some of his war letter s, written in 1862.

OWING to a defect in the city charter, of Faribault, the courts have decided that the authorities have no power to enforce the collection of a poll tax.

A HARROWING report comes from Chaska, Carver and Shakopee. The brewers taking advantage of the necessities of the people, have advaneed beer $1 per barrel.

THE net proceeds of the late Catholic fair at Rochester were about $3.000.

WALTER ENGLE of Preston, Fillmore county, killed six fat hogs last week, the net weight of which averaged 410 pounds.

OTTO NEUBERT, a German confined at Stillwater for desertion from Fort Snelling, gave a violin concert to the prisoners and visitors Thursday last.

ONE Robert McClosky was last week held at Rochester to stand trial on the charge of stealing horses from near that city about two years ago.

JOHN WARE, Esq., of Mantorville, a lawyer well known in that part of the State, died on the 22d. His body was taken to Waupun, Wis., where he formerly resided, for burial.

A PASSENGER on an Ohio railroad aroused from serene slumber by the tooting of a whistle, exclaimed petulantly: "The train has caught up with those cattle again!"

AN iron bridge, 198 feet in length and 16 feet wide, and costing, with its approaches, $11,133, has just been completed over the Le Seuer river, at a point known as Kerns' Crossing.

THE reported death of Capt. McMicken, recently of Mantorville, in Washington Territory, seems to have been an error, the last reports from that locality leaving the Captain in excellent health.

CHAWLES doesn't go out now when the grass is wet and his boots are blackened. He says the blacking don't cost much, but his mother is getting old and lame, and can't handle a brush as she used to.

ON the Ottawa paririe in Le Sueur county, C. N. Pinney had a fine flock of thirty-eight sheep, from which he lost tourteen, with nine more wounded, by an attack from dogs Monday night of last week.

TWELVE years ago A. J. Miller, of Mazeppa was cutting cord wood for a living. Now he owns 500 acres of land and has 7,000 bushels of wheat to sell. He thinks it pays to farm.

THE editor of the St. Cloud *Times* had a turkey sent to him all the way from Michigan. That's what he called it, and it remained for his wife to discover that it was a Michigander.

COL. MCPHAIL did not go to Texas, as expected, but has been heard from at Omaha, where he was on his way back to Redwood, intending to drive his team across the country.

A FATHER MATHEW Temperance Society has been organized at Pine city. This organization is rapidly spreading in this State, it already having flourishing societies in nearly all the large towns.

NUMEROUS people in St. Charles are breaking out with a rash something like chicken-pox, and all the old nurses of the place are in a quandery as to what they shall term it, and how it shall be treated.

HON. W. G. WARD, S. B. Williams, Esq., and J. W. Johnson & Co., in keeping up the price of wheat, at this place, are doing the right thing at the right time. The ball is still rolling.—*Waseca News.*

WORK on the new grist mill is being pushed forward as expeditiously as the weather will permit, and the intention of the owners is to have it in running order about the middle of January.—*Sauk Rapids Sentinel.*

WE havn't heard yet who will start the First National Bank of Litchfield, nor just exactly whether anybody is going to, but we do know one is really a necessity.—*Litchfield Ledger.*

REPORTS from St. Peter, Mankato, Rochester, Winona, Red Wing, Lake City, Litchfield, and other leading towns in the State, are to the effect that pork is being marketed very freely. The price ranges from $3.85 to $4.70 per 100 pounds.

THE St. Peter *Tribune* says that Lt. John A. Lundeen started Thursday, the 20th, for San Francisco, where he is to be stationed for the coming two years. His standing in his class at West Point gave him his choice of station, and he selected San Francisco.

THE Owatonna *Journal* says: H. M. Hastings, of Lemond, in this county, we may consider one of the substantial farmers of the State. He this year raised 9,000 bushels of wheat, 1,300 bushels of oats, 2,500 bashels of corn, and other things in proportion. "Hec" is always happy, as though this immense amount of labor was no burden to him.

A YOUNG man named Frank Stocking, a resident of Rochester, attempted suicide, last Friday night, by shooting himself twice in the head. One ball entered the ear and passed out under the chin; the other was a flesh wound in the forehead. He is alive, and hopes are entertained of his recovery.

AT Beaver Falls recently a young man named McLaughlin, while working at a threshing machine, had the misfortune to have an oat beard lodge in his eye and penetrate half an inch inside the main color. After ten days of torment he proceeded to New Ulm where the beard was taken out by a resident surgeon.

IN the notice of meetings for Butterfield's creditor's his debts as set down amount to about $32,000. If he makes a fortune in South America he can make good use of it by distributing that much in Shakopee, St. Paul, Minneapolis, and along the line of the Sioux City road, for his creditors are many and scattered.

THE Winona *Republican* says that John Ferrell, claiming to hail from New Ulm, arrived there some days since in charge of an insane brother. Professing his willingness to pay for his brother's keeping Ferrell succeeded in getting him admitted to the jail, when after a few days had passed, spent by Ferrell in laying around the saloons, he jumped the town, since which nothing has been heard from him.

SAMUEL ELLIS, a saloon keeper, of Owatonna, arrested Monday last charged with keeping gambling devices in his establishment, was found guilty by a jury of his peers, and fined $75 and costs in all $92.60, in default of which imprisonment for 90 days. At first Ellis concluded to accept the latter part of the sentence, but after five hours' confinement he changed his mind and paid his fine.

FRIDAY, the 19th, two stables belonging to John Zaizer, and J. G. Johnson, both keepers of public houses at Fergus Falls, was fired by an incendiary. Fortunately the flames were discovered in time to be extinguished. As generally follows such a warning, the citizens are now endeavoring to get up a fire organization. The first annual meeting of the above named association, will be held at the court house in that city, on Tuesday the 9th of December.

HERE is the way the Monticello *Times* utilizes the divine afflatus: "Now upon the earth lies, white and tranquil, the beautiful emblem of newness and purity, furnishing a fruitful theme for the imagination of the poet, and good sledding for parties who are owing us wood on subscription."

THE weather prophet of St. Peter, Mr. A. H. Benham, says we shall have more pleasant days in December than we had in two months of October and November. Encouraging.

THREE convicts were released from the State Prison last Tuesday on pardons. They were, Egbert Hull of Lyon county, Theodore Singleton of Meeker county, and Washington Platt of Goodhue county.

THE District Conference of the Winona District of the Methodist churches in this State will be held at Lake City, commencing on Tuesday evening, December 2d, and continuing three days. The opening sermon will be preached by Rev H. C. Jennings, of La Crescent.

D. S. KINYON, cashier of the First National Bank, who has been seriously sick for several months, started Monday, accompanied by Mrs. Gillet, for California, with the hope of regaining his health. We sincerely wish that he may return with renewed strength.—*Owatonna Journal.*

A GAYLORD SPAULDING, in the columns of the Waseca *News*, has opened war upon the custom of employing chaplains for the two branches of the State Legislature. He says: "It is superfluity—a dry bone of old fogy customs, superstition and aristocracy, and ought to be abolished.

A. H. GRONLUND of Duluth had a contract to get out stone on Isle Royal in Lake Superior and was engaged in cutting logs for a winter cabin when a tree fallen by one of his men struck him on the back of the head and crushed his face against the trunk of another fallen tree. He survived his injury about thirty hours. The *Herald* of Duluth concludes its account of his death by the remark that—

"Mr. G. leaves a wife and two children, with the prospect of another in a few weeks."

AT the December term of District Court for Stearns county, commencing at St. Cloud next Tuesday, Theodore Steinburg is to be tried for the murder of Robert Leitch; two men named Morrison and Greenleaf are to be tried for burglary and attempted rape at Sauk Centre last May; and Phillips, the Melrose express agent, is to be tried for robbery.

A FIRE at New Ulm, yesterday morning before daylight, burned the building and stock of Newman & Co.'s saloon and store; also Mullen's hardware store, Laberer's jewelry store and Hawenstein's saloon, little being saved from either. Loss—$20,000, partly covered by insurance.

ON account of the exceedingly low wages to be obtained by going into the woods, a large number of men are making arrangements to cut cord wood in the woods during the winter, and we suppose the corresponding increase of the wood cut will have a tendency to keep wood at low figures this season.—*Anoka Union.*

THE Rochester *Post* supposes that Mr. Frank Stocking, the young man of that city who attempted suicide by shooting himself week before last, committed the act in a moment of insanity caused by much suffering from neuralgia. At first hopes of his recovery were entertained, but on Friday it was feared the result would be fatal.

MONDAY evening of last week Moses Gates of Mankato was quietly walking homeward when he met three men who occupied the whole sidewalk, pushing him off, and then struck him insensible by blows on the back of his head and on his face. Another Mankato man was similarly assaulted the same evening, but recovered himself and gave one of the roughs a good drubbing.

THE residence of John McBride, jo Lake City, with a portion of the furniture, was burned Wednesday morning. The residence cost $3,000, and was richly furnished. Insured for $2000.

SOME evil disposed person one night recently made an opening in Taylor's mill dam at Spring Valley in Fillmore county, and let all the water out of the pond. The act is supposed to have been committed to gratify some petty spite against the owner.

A FIRE at St. Peter yesterday morning destroyed two small frame buildings in the south part of St. Peter. Loss, $2,500; insurance, $1,400. The town owns a fire engine, but it is held at the depot on account of excessive freight charges, so that the people had only Babcock extinguishers to combat the fire with.

No wonder that this western country bounds around into all latitudes, as it were—now cavorting towards the equator, and then scudding toward the North Pole—rising and falling like a patent thermometer into all altitudes, and hurling us with irregular spasmodic actions through the seasons of rapidly alternating rain and snow, sleet and sunshine—it has lost its balancing weight—Frank Daggett has gone east.

THE new Catholic Church in process of erection at Mankato for the past three or four years, was dedicated Sunday last, Bishop Grace officiating, assisted by Revs. Theodore Venn, of Henderson; Rev. John Zuseck, of St. Peter; Rev. A. Berghold of New Ulm; and Rev. A Wirth of Mankato. The *Review* says:

The building is situated on the corner of Fifth and Mulberry streets—a commanding position on the second bench—and is in form of a Roman cross. The frontage is 68 feet, and the depth on Mulberry 172—the transept being 30 by 90 feet. The steeple is 175 feet high. The building is of brick, with massive stone trimmings. The inside of the building is very handsomely arched. The entire cost is $40,000, or which but about $8,500 has been paid by the congregation, by means of subscriptions, fairs and pic nics. The building will comfortably seat 1,400 persons. On the occasion of the dedication these were all filled, the large aisles crowded, and it is a safe to estimate that at least 2,000 persons were present.

The success of this great enterprise is largely due to Father Augustine Wirth, who for the past two years, worked with unceasing energy for its consummation; and it is a lasting monument of his indefatigable efforts and religious zeil and liberality of the Catholic congregation.

Timely Aid.

A circumstance has come to our knowledge which will cause some of the opponents of grangerism to feel rebuked, and prove that the order is eminently one of good, and is all it professes to be. Mr. Kimball, a worthy and industrious man; a member of Tabor Grange, Liberty township, has been sick all the fall and winter. Mr. Kimball's family, owing to his and their sickness, has become much reduced in means. Application was made by friends to the township trustee for help to enable his children to attend school. This gentleman *carefully* examined the law and found no warrant for any such action. Tabor Grange took the matter in hand and have procured everything necessary to make them comfortable and fit them for school. Many of our charitable societies and churches might take a profitable lesson from this. None know so well the effect of privation as the men composing the grange. All they have they have dug out of the earth, and many a one has struggled with hardships and sickness, and being now in a condition to help a worthy, needy brother, it is forthcoming. All honor to Tabor Grange, as well as to the teachings of the order.—*Indiana Granger.*