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An account of the great railroad strike, with its attendent horrors and destruction of property, will be found on our outside. If the trouble ends with the railroads, we may consider ourselves fortunate. For a year or two, under the depressing circumstances, the working classes have been like so much tinder, needing only the match to light an extensive fire. We are only surprised that bread riots and wide-spread trouble did not come sooner. It is a shame to have an outbreak just now when we are on the eve of better times and a revival of business.

THE WHEAT CROP.

The wheat crop of Minnesota this year, the Pioneer-Press thinks, will reach 60,000,000 bushels, worth about $30,000,000. Other crops will add $10,000,000 this year. Look out for busy times. Forty millions of dollars playing hide-and-seek in the pockets of our people, will go far toward making life endurable in this exhilerating climate.

THE LOCUSTS.

The degenerate and demoralized locusts are still seen occasionally in the air flying over, but nowhere, so far as we can hear, are they doing any material damage. Sometimes, when the wind is from the north, they seem to be blown back for a day or two, but the general tendency of the pest is northwest and west beyond the line of crops. Give us another fortnight and the magnificent wheat crop of the northwest will be out of the reach of the locust. Then, if there are no eggs deposited, we look confidently to a series of prosperous years. The deeper we get into the magnificent harvest of 1877, the more we realize that this is our year of Jubilee. Give us a rousing Harvest Home.

ANOTHER WORD TO THE PEOPLE.

A month or two ago the Worthington Journal began the campaign with two lines of operation: 1. Fulsome praise of the Ring officials, with a view to keeping them in power in Nobles county. 2. Infamous personal and business attacks upon those who are not actively with the Ring. This is the whole matter in a nut-shell. This is what all the bitter, infamous, warfare of the Journal means.

The people of the county cannot be deceived by these cries of "stop thief!" We talk to numbers of farmers every week and we know that the sentiment is strong against the Ring, and that they see through all the infamous attacks of the Ring and Rowdy organ.

The three farmers, whose letter appeared in last week's ADVANCE, told the exact truth when they said:

"We do sincerely believe it to be the purpose of the Ring and its organ to destroy every man in this county who has any influence against them."

The people have only to be true to themselves and end this Worthington Ring at the approaching election, and then the bitter warfare of these "rule or ruin" men will cease.

WOOL GROWING.

Below will be found a letter from Paris Gibson, manager of the North Star Woolen Mill, at Minneapolis, written to B. R. Prince, of this place. Mr. P. sold his wool to this mill and received two cents more per pound for it than was offered here, or than he could have had by shipping to New York.

We wish to call attention to the latter paragraph in Mr. Gibson's letter. He says he understands that our part of the State "bids fair to be *the* sheep district of this State." Therefore, sheep will be kept here in large flocks and he says, "For large flocks, Merinos are the sheep *every* time." Here is the letter in full:

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., July 3, 1877.

R. B. PRINCE, Esq., Worthington, Dear Sir: In your letter of the 20th ult., you wish to know our opinion as to what kind of sheep stock it will be best for you to breed from, whether Merinos or the long-wooled races. In your section of the State, it seems to me you can make more money to breed from full-blood Merinos, particularly if you intend to keep a *large flock*. In many parts of this State wool strong enough for combing purposes can be grown, and in such localities, if farmers keep small flocks, they can undoubtedly make more money to breed from the Cottswold, Lincoln or Leicester sheep. But so far as my experience goes, the strongest kind of wool is not produced in your part of the State. If I am correct, it would certainly be poor policy to keep the long-wooled sheep, as a weak staple is not as objectionable in the fine wool, as it is in what are known as the long or combing wool. I also understand that your part of the State bids fair to be *the* sheep district of this State, and that sheep will be kept in much larger flocks there, than in other sections of Minnesota. For large flocks Merinos are the sheep *every* time. Yours truly,

PARIS GIBSON.

LONG-LOOKED-FOR COME AT LAST.

The Toledo Blade, of July 19th, contained an article on the crop prospect of the present, which shows that Minnesota is not alone in promise of a magnificent harvest. All over the country there is the same prospect of such an outpouring of the products of mother earth as the country has not witnessed for years. Of course, in the northwest we are not yet safe, but in the lower belt of States the harvest is already about over and the splendid crop of small grain mostly in stack. A few weeks more and the more northern States will have their harvest secured.

And then begins the long-expected reaction from extreme depression to business activity. Congress may legislate till doomsday, about the currency and the tariff, and business men may resort to any and all devices to make business, but nothing ever can make "good times" except a good harvest. The farmer feeds all and on him all business depends. The farmer is the centre and pivot on which all classes, all industries, turn, and when he has his granaries full, every branch of business feels the impulse. In a month or two more millions of dollars will be flowing west from the money centers of the east to move the crops, and this money, like blood in the human system when a healthy circulation is promoted by exercise, will find its way into every little commercial vein and the business system of the whole country will have tone and vigor.

We make the following extracts from the Blade article:

The crop now being harvested is the largest the country ever had. The acreage of wheat is largely in excess of any since the settlement of the country, and the yield per acre is infinitely greater. In Michigan, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, and in fact all the wheat growing States, the average will not fall much below twenty-five bushels to the acre. To put it at twenty would be entirely safe.

That there will be an immediate improvement in business is beyond a question. It cannot be prevented. The golden tide is now flowing upon the farms, and it will turn from thence to the retailer, from thence to the jobber and from thence to the manufacturer. Money will begin to circulate, and enterprises of moment, long deferred, and business operations which prudent men have held in abeyance till there should be some show of vitality, will now be taken up, and pushed to completion.

In brief, the good times of five years ago, modified somewhat by changed conditions, and by the experience we have had in following prosperity too closely, are upon us again. All that is needed now is that confidence which an intelligent view of the situation is sufficient to inspire. It could not be better.

THE MATRIMONIAL LOTTERY.

It is a trite saying that matrimony is a lottery, but it was reserved for the Kansas City Times to literally and practically adopt and carry out the old saw. On the 2d of July there was an actual drawing at the opera house in Kansas City, whereby 240 real, live, flesh-and-blood, meat girls were awarded to as many bachelors and widowers. The girls from a number of States sent in their names, the boys bought tickets, the drawing actually occurred, and if any marriages grow out of the drawing—well, they can't complain if they prove the old saw to be true that matrimony is indeed a lottery.

This drawing was so popular that the proprietors of the Times are getting up another one to be drawn on the first of October. We publish the announcement below for the benefit of our friend Chamberlain, of the Jackson Republic, and other poor bachelors who want wives.

O Chamberlin! Chamberlin! up and go in!
For the wheel keeps a-turning and yet you shall win!
To some it comes soon, and to some it comes late,
But for all the old whirligig turns up a mate!

Don't say now that you are growing too old. Don't say that "love" don't come any more, as it used to, like the boys' whistle, of "itself." Just draw one of those pretty girls in the lottery and see how easy it is to fall in love. For,

"O woman, in our hours of ease,
Uncertain, coy and hard to please;
But seen too oft, familiar with her face,
We first endure, then pity, then embrace!"

But here is the Times announcement:

A PLEASANT SOCIAL SENSATION.

Young ladies, young widows, bachelors and widowers throughout the country are invited to participate in the Kansas City Times Second Great Matrimonial Drawing at Coates' Opera House, in Kansas City, Mo., on Oct. 1, 1877. At the first drawing, in July, 240 ladies were won by as many unmarried gentlemen, the affair making a wonderful sensation throughout the West. Copies of the Times Matrimonial-Edition, containing a detailed report of the drawing and full particulars of October's Drawing, sent free by mail to any address on application. Published weekly; subscription price, 60 cents for three months, entitling eyery unmarried subscriber to participate in the Second Great Matrimonial Drawing, in which there are also fifty-two cash premiums.

Address, THE TIMES, Kansas City, Missouri.

A conversation occurred the other day in one of our stores which is too good to keep. The County Auditor was telling about the county having to add 25 per cent. for the discount on orders when purchases were made at St. Paul or Sioux City. The merchant asked if that was the case, and said he didn't see where the Journal's point against the ADVANCE came in. The fact is that the county has had to make up the discount on the blank books, blanks, and other materials purchased at St. Paul, Sioux City and elsewhere. We never made out our bills adding 25 per cent. as the lying Journal states, and the only foundation for its statement is in the fact that we once had a conversation about the matter with the Auditor when we claimed that if they had to allow 25 per cent. for discount when they had work done outside of the county that it would be no more than fair to pay it at home. That was three years ago.

The Journal holds the ADVANCE responsible for the high rates of interest charged by money lenders. Before the Journal set had a newspaper to blackguard respectable people through, they held us responsible for the blizzards, the grasshoppers and all the calamities which came upon the people. They said the ADVANCE had induced all these people to come here and settle, and now, it was getting up blizzards and grasshopper raids to drive them away. No wonder they are trying to "run out" a newspaper of such transcendent power. If ever our wrath should be aroused under the mosquito bites of the Journal, we shall get up a blizzard which will sweep that concern into the lake and leave the place where it stood a howling wilderness!

A supply of Legal Note, Foolscap and Letter paper just received at the Worthington Book Store.

A LIST OF LANDS AND TOWN LOTS

In the County of Nobles, State of Minnesota,

Upon which Taxes are Delinquent for the Year 1876, and Unpaid on this First day of June, 1877.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, } ss
COUNTY OF NOBLES. }

District Court, Sixth Judicial District.

The State of Minnesota, to all persons, companies, or corporations, who have or claim any estate, title, or interest in, claim to, or lien upon, any of the several pieces or parcels of land in the list hereto attached, described:

The list of taxes on real estate for the county of Nobles, remaining delinquent on the first day of June, 1877, has been filed in the office of the Clerk of the District Court in the county of Nobles, of which that hereto attached is a copy.—Therefore, you and each of you are hereby required to file in the office of said clerk, within twenty days after the last publication of this notice, your answer in writing, setting forth any objection or defense you may have to the taxes, or any part thereof, upon any piece or parcel of land described in said list, in, to, or on which you have or claim any estate, title, interest, claim or lien.

And in default thereof, judgment will be entered against such piece or parcel of land for the taxes on said list appearing against it, and for all penalties, interest and cost.

B. N. CARRIER,
[L. S.] Clerk of the District Court in the County of Nobles, State of Minnesota.

Dated June 19, 1877.

WORTHINGTON VILLAGE.

Names of Owners.	Subdivision of Lot.	Lot.	Blk	Am't of Taxes Delqt
Otis Bigelow		7	6	$5 29
Charles Miller		8	6	17 09
William R Bennett		11	6	34 89
"		12	6	14 93
Hewitt & Martine		4	6	2 02
Cornelius Johnson		3	6	11 16
L F McLaurin		5	6	2 44
"		6	6	2 44
C B Langdon		1	7	35 27
A P Miller & R F Humiston	(Hotel barn)	4	7	34 81
"		5	7	
"		6	7	
"		7	7	
"		8	7	266 24
"		9	7	
H W Kimball		10	7	34 28
"		11	7	24 20
Otis Bigelow		13	7	18 20
Simon McInerny		12	7	22 50
August Shultz		1	8	4 05
L E Kimball		4	8	31 44
Julius Moll		5	8	17 07
S A Davis	24x48ft	8 and 9	8	24 97
D S Law	front 30x48ft	8 and 9	8	42 34
Ann Shriver		12	8	
"		13	8	28 39
Wm Carroll		24	8	
"		25	8	17 80
John Upstrom		3	9	2 02
A Laythe		8	9	
"		9	9	49 48
Amy Miner		12	9	16 63
Thomas Dorman		9	12	13 11
Alfred Larson		14	12	3 31
W S Stockdale		7	14	47 78
R D Barber		10	14	32 67
H W Beers (heirs)		9	14	12 74
C C Luckey		11	14	30 21
L F McLaurin	front of 14 and	15	14	52 10
W M Bear		4	15	17 96
C Z Sutton		5	16	10 09
"		6	16	34 69
R D Barber		7	16	6 88
"		8	16	3 01
J H Cornell		11	16	2 22
"		12	16	2 22
J Craft	front part 1 and	2	17	42 24
Eugenie Penfield		3	17	8 40
Otis Bigelow		8	17	5 46
Mrs E Ensign		14	17	
"		15	17	47 70
B W Lyons		10	18	
"		11	18	15 04
B H Crever		20	18	
"		21	18	46 62
L B Bennett.		23	18	17 91
Edmund Bedford,		25	18	12 91
Laura Krandall,		9	24	11 16
J Tarbott,		2	25	8 01
M M Jenkins, (1876)		3	27	10 69
" "	Interest from June, 1875,	3	27	7 91
I Coons,		4	27	19 95
F F Lewis,		4	34	2 22
B W Lyon,		7	36	2 83
" "		8	36	12 09
E D Williams,		9	36	8 85
J Moll,		6	37	1 49
Mary Hertzig,		9	41	1 49
J Chadwick,		3	42	1 49
D Stone,		4	42	1 49

WORTHINGTON—TOWNSHIP 102, RANGE 40.

	Part Sec.	Sec.	Acres.	
M B Odell,	sw¼	2	160	11 60
Josiah Price.	ne¼	6	160	11 10
B W Lyons,	sw¼	11	160	17 72
S V Andrus,	ne¼	13	160	18 03
C T Dondore,	sw¼	13	160	54 54
J D Jackson,	n½	12	160	12 05
C Z Sutton,	nw¼	14	160	19 31
L L Byers,	n½ se¼	14	80	20 49
Mrs E Penfield,	s½	21	160	40 54
R F Humiston, part of lot 1		27	13	3 67
Harriet A Humiston, e½nw¼		22	80	16 95
Elihu Smith, nw¼nw¼		22	40	12 24
Eugenie Penfield, fractional sw¼		22	3	4 11
Otis Bigelow, fractional s½nw¼		22	7	1 71
Thos E Emmons, w½se¼		32	80	12 96
Perry P Pierce,	n½se¼	32	80	11 38
Elihu Smith, sw¼nw¼ & nw¼ of sw¼ and part of lots 3 & 4		32	124	41 75
H Y Wells,	ne¼	31	160	38 50

BIGELOW—TOWNSHIP 101, RANGE 40.

Samuel Feustermaker, s½nw¼		9	80	8 03
Nels Segerstrum, lots 1 & 2		11	34	6 59
John Larson, s½se¼		12	80	8 71
Joseph Baldwin, ne¼		30	160	27 28
A C Ecker, se¼		30	160	24 45
C H Bigelow, s½sw¼		30	80	13 27
L R Hollenbeck, ne¼		32	160	28 78
	Bigelow Village,			
S D Tines,	lot 1, block 11			22 94
" "	lot 2, block 11			2 29

LORAIN—TOWNSHIP 102, RANGE 39,

Samuel Moy,	se¼	2	160	11 54
Melissa Stockdale, w½sw¼		8	80	6 81
Eleanor Shoemaker, ne¼		8	160	8 43
James P Cowen, e½ne¼		12	75	3 94
J H Johnson,	ne¼	18	160	18 16
Hiram Randall,	nw¼	20	160	26 22
D J Shriver, lots 4 & 5		31	87¾	8 75
W R Bennett, se¼ne¼		32	40	4 92
Mary Crever, nw¼nw¼		32	40	4 92
B H Crever, n½ne¼ & n½nw¼		32	160	21 91
Elihu Smith, ne¼ (1876)		32	160	20 60
" " ne¼ (1875)		35	160	28 34
(Interest from June 1, 1876)				
Richard Bagley,	se¼	34	160	17 80

DEWALD—TOWNSHIP 102, RANGE 41.

S A Davis,	ne¼	8	160	13 47
William Pratt, w½sw¼		10	80	5 00
O F Morgan,	se¼	10	160	12 77
F E Minere, w½ & ne¼ of nw¼ & nw¼ne¼		12	160	12 77
J E Miller,	nw¼	14	160	20 01
S A Churchill,	sw¼	20	160	13 61
Fred and Ella Vanderburg, w½ of w½ of nw¼		20	40	4 06
H Dewald,	ne¼	20	160	12 42
W A Dillman, w½se¼		26	80	5 06
R D Barber,	ne¼	25	160	13 52
W R Lawrence,	nw¼	26	160	10 91
E D Bedford,	se¼	28	160	10 78
Thos Childs,	ne¼	30	160	15 4

OLNEY—TOWNSHIP 102, RANGE 42.

Orville Slocum, n½ ne¼		10	80	7 78
Alex Simpson,	ne¼	14	160	16 73
H C Crary, e½ne¼ & e½se¼		18	160	29 84
W & S P R R Co, w½sw¼		18	82	12 10
J D W Joy,	sw¼	17	160	32 40
" "	w½	21	320	27 08
John Johnson,	ne¼	22	160	13 55
J Parish,	nw¼	24	160	14 17
Jas V Bartow,	ne¼	24	160	16 66

INDIAN LAKE—TOWNSHIP 101, RANGE 39.

C P Stough, w½nw¼		2	80	8 21
B W Lyon,	sw¼	10	160	8 45
E P Freeman,	se¼	18	80	3 94
Wm V Mills,	nw¼	24	160	21 09
Nelson Coyer, w½nw¼		35	80	7 44
S N Coburn,	lot 1	5	2	2 66
J E Parish, lots 2 and 3		5	82¼	4 42

RANSOM—TOWNSHIP 101, RANGE 41.

Henry Sanborn,	se¼	2	160	15 50
James Gould,	sw¼	2	160	11 92
Wm and Jane Hollis,	e½ne¼	10	80	9 13
C T Dondore,	nw¼	8	160	20 44
Anthony Mutter,	sw¼	12	160	16 62
R J Creveling,	nw¼	14	160	15 51
S G Ferrin,	se¼	20	160	19 08
Wm Clark,	ne¼	22	160	24 24
H L Waters,	sw¼	26	160	24 35
J Towsney,	se¼	30	160	24 40
Joel Pegg,	sw¼	34	160	20 93
Hiram Norton,	se¼	34	160	21 43

LITTLE ROCK—TOWNSHIP 101, RANGE 42.

David Dowden, w½se¼		28	80	7 20

GRAND PRAIRIE—TOWNSHIP 101, RANGE 41.

Milan M Merris, ne¼		10	160	11 34
I D W Joy,	ne¼	15	320	35 46
" "	ne¼	17	160	15 66
" "	all of	23	640	62 52

HERSEY—TOWNSHIP 101, RANGE 39.

Wm A Cunningham, w½ne¼ &		4	160	11 11
" "	e½nw¼			
" "	w½se¼	4	80	6 07
B W Woolstencroft, e side nw¼		14	60	4 30
Lillie M Bennett, west side		14	100	7 75
Charles Covey,	ne¼	18	160	12 10
Charles Miller, w½ nw¼		18	80	7 01
A L Rogers	e½	23	320	34 20
W R Bennett, n½ne¼		25	80	8 45
Eliza Coplin, w½se¼		28	80	6 07
Geo W Payne, e½se¼		28	80	7 15
Sabina Blaisdell, w½ne¼		28	80	4 07
A A Parsons, e½ne¼		28	80	5 11
D Crocker, (Hersey Village) lot 6, block 7 and lot 7, block 7				21 37
E M Parsons, lot 10, block 7				10 55

ELK—TOWNSHIP 103, RANGE 40.

Charles Morris,	ne¼	4	157	25 71
J J Stage,	sw¼	4	160	30 19
W H Wright, e½sw¼		6	80	6 19
Alex Dickey,	ne¼	22	160	13 19
Levi Covey,	n½se¼	26	80	10 19
Maria L Dean,	se¼	32	160	10 51

SUMMIT LAKE—TOWNSHIP 103, RANGE 41.

S D Harrington	neqr	12	160	11 52
W E Chapin	e½nwqr	20	80	6 36
Hay Visser	swqr	34	160	28 89

SEWARD—TOWNSHIP 104, RANGE 40.

John P Vail	s½neqr	21	80	9 45
H Vonker	w½nwqr	24	80	7 14
C L Johnson	neqr	26	160	14 96

FIRST DISTRICT—TOWNSHIP 104, RANGE 41.

Rufus Frock	nwqr	26	160	6 38

GRAHAM LAKES—TOWNSHIP 104, RANGE 39.

Amelia M Brown	seqr	4	160	22 06
A Benkendorf	seqr	6	160	11 41
C F Hunt	s½seqr	8	80	5 19
V G Wolft	w½nwqr	8	80	5 73
D Downey	s½nwqr	12	80	9 72
Edward Berreau, ne¼ of nw¼ and lot 1		14	77¾	9 48
Warren Smith, seqr of seqr & lot 5,		15	81	11 84
S Wade	e½ swqr	18	80	5 53
John H Cunningham	w½seqr	20	80	7 94
Wm Childley	lot 4	21	35	3 26
J B Wakefield, seqr neqr & neqr of seqr		28	35	7 39
" "	lots 1 & 2 & swqr of neqr & nwqr of seqr	28	158½	15 95
O N Dustin	n½swqr	28	80	8 04
John Cunningham	nwqr	34	160	34 88

SECOND DISTRICT—TOWNSHIP 103, RANGE 43.

Wm Robinson	w½nwqr	22	80	3 65
J E Childs	w½swqr	28	80	3 52
Silas Doty	w½swqr	32	80	3 52

THIRD DISTRICT—TOWNSHIP 102, RANGE 43.

D B Johnson	s½swqr	8	80	3 77
" "	n½swqr	8	80	3 77
Jas V Bartow	s½seqr	15	80	3 44
Dennis Rooney	w½seqr	2	80	3 44
Aaron Everest	nwqr	6	160	6 88
Sydney J Bennett	seqr	6	154	7 94

I, William M. Bear, Auditor of Nobles County and State of Minnesota, do solemnly swear that tee fovogoing is a correct and true statement of taxes delinquent for the year 1876 upon the real property therein described.

WILLIAM M. BEAR, County Auditor.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of June, 1877. B. N. CARRIER,
[L S.] Clerk of District Court.

Filed June 18th, 1877. B. N. CARRIER,
Clerk Dist. Court Nobles Co., Minn.

A List of Lands and Town Lots in the County of Nobles and State of Minnesota upon which taxes are delinquent for the year 1875, and unpaid on this first day of June, 1877.

BIGELOW—TOWNSHIP 101, RANGE 40.

Names of Owners.	Part of Section.	Sec.	Acres.	Am't of Taxes Delq't.
E S Mills	nwqr	32	160	35 42
(Interest from Dec. 1, 1876.)				
L R Hollenbeck,	neqr	32	160	35 42
(Interest from Dec. 1, 1876.)				

ELK—TOWNSHIP 103, RANGE 40.

Ira Turner	n½nwqr	18	80	14 59
(Interest from Dec. 1, 1876.)				
M L Miller	neqr	10	160	24 12
(Interest from Dec. 1, 1876.)				

HERSEY—TOWNSHIP 103, RANGE 39.

John Braden	nwqr	10	160	28 79
(Interest from Dec. 1, 1876.)				

RANSOM—TOWNSHIP 101, RANGE 41.

David Twitchell	seqr	26	160	28 78
(Interest from Dec. 1, 1876.)				

I, William M. Bear, Auditor of Nobles County and State of Minnesota, do solemnly swear that the foregoing is a correct and true statrment of taxes delinquent for the year 1875 upon the real property therein described and not included in the original list. WILLIAM M. BEAR, County Auditor.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of June, 1877. B. N. CARRIER,
[L. S.] Clerk of District Court.

Filed June 18, 1877. B. N. CARRIER,
Clerk Dist. Court Nobles Co., Minn.

FROM THE SISSETON AGENCY.

GRAND INDIAN CELEBRATION.

Below we give extracts from a letter from Mrs. Chas. Newton to her mother, Mrs. J. C. Clark:

We have had a great time here this week over the Nation's birthday. The Indians began to gather in as early as the Saturday before. We could see them down the coteaux or over the flats, on pony back, with ox teams or on foot, wrapped in their blankets (in July.) Sometimes the tepee poles are lashed to the pony's back, the smaller children ride on them, the squaw leads the pony, and the Indian marches along in care-free dignity. On the 4th there was a horse-back display. There was a mock battle, a village captured, prisoners scalped and dragged off and the victor's return and all accompanied with the most unearthly yells and whoops. In the afternoon we went down to see the Indian game of ball, LaCrosse, and the feast. The ball players were dressed in every variety of costume. Some braves were suitably attired in shirts *only*. Their swift running and their wonderfully agile and dextrous movements were fascinating to watch, to say nothing of the fantistic dressing.

Out at one side, a number of fires were made on the ground. Around one a number of women were mixing bread on boards and frying it in bony-handled skillets over the fire. It came out in round cakes, an inch thick, nicely browned, which were piled up until wanted on the ground. If I had been *very* hungry, I could have eaten some of it, but the beef! It was cut up in chunks as large as a man's fist, half roasted on spits and thrown down in a pile on the ground. As fast as done, a circle of small boys kept away the dogs but not the flies. When all was ready, the agent gathered the chiefs in a small circle, the other Indians and boys in a large outer circle, and the women and girls still outside of that. The loaves of bread were then strung on poles and carried around and the pieces of beef thrown around promiscuously. Then the "shupaa," or soup made of intestines was carried around in pails and served out in cups. There were 1,200, by actual count, that partook of the feast. After the feast, they were addressed by David Great Cloud, a native preacher, and by Two Stars. I was too tired to stay to hear them and went over for a farewell visit with Mrs. Hamilton.

The next day a party of Chippewas arrived to make a visit. They were without passes from their agent and had no business here. The Sioux went out to meet them and escorted them into the Agency in military style. We watched them (two miles away) from our upper windows, when they were all mounted a hundred or more, Sioux and all, they spread their banners and started off in a body with the wildest whoops and swept along like the wind. Some detached horsemen were continually galloping around them in a circle until they drew up before the Agent's office. Acting Agent Lynn told the Sioux Chiefs that they might tell them to camp and rest and visit until 9 o'clock in the morning and then they must go, but they did not get away until nearly sundown Friday.

I sat sewing by the window when I noticed an unusual stir among the groups of tepees clustered around the Agency, and saw them gathering in cattle, galloping about on ponies, yoking up oxen, and in two hours time there were but three or four tepees left and they were all gone. The Chippewas took up their line of march along the road leading past here, so we had a good view of them. Every night they had a dance which lasted all night long, and the big drum, and the yells and hoots and shouts, could be heard here very distinctly. I must confess that my nerves became so overtaxed that I was about crazy before they were done. One such night in a lifetime is enough. This is their gala time, their one grand holiday in all the year. I doubt if many carried any of their rations home from the issue. I would like to tell you of the many amusing incidents I gathered up, but I cannot write all. So you see if you had been able to come up here to spend the 4th you would have seen a sight worth coming a long distance to see. While I think of it, let me say that there are 1,600 Indians on the reservation.

HERSEY DEPARTMENT.

HERSEY TIME TABLE—SIOUX CITY & ST. PAUL R. R.

Going East—2:47 a. m. Going West—11:17 a. m.
" " 3:18 p. m. " " 11:49 p. m.

Elk Creek bridge is passable again.

Farmers are taking advantage of the good weather by putting up a good quantity of hay.

Mike Aumer has purchased a claim of Jonathan Gordon and will be on to occupy it soon.

School closed Saturday for a vacation of one month. Vocal and instrumental music, declamations, etc., were the order of the day. Quite a number of visitors were present and all speak well of the exercises and of the progress and deportment of the scholars.

W. A. TALBUT,
Justice of the Peace.

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NOTICES OF CONTEST.

NOTICE. U. S. Land Office, Worthington, Minn., July 13, 1877.

Complaint having been entered at this office by Mals Gudmunson against James McMahon for abandoning Timber Entry No. 689, dated Dec. 27, 1875, upon the sw¼ of section 2, township 105, range 41, in Murray County, Minnesota, with a view to the cancellation of said entry; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 14th day of August, 1877, at 8 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment.

MONS GRINAGER, Register.
46] J. P. MOULTON, Receiver.

NOTICE. U. S. Land Office, Worthington, Minn., July 6, 1877.

Complaint having been entered at this office by Joseph Hirt against Albert M. Parker for abandoning D. S. entry Number 11,456, dated October 27, 1870, upon Lots 6 and 7 and nw¼ of sw¼ sec. 4, township 104, range 39, in Nobles County, Minn., with a view to the cancellation of said entry; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office at Worthington, on the 6th day of August 1877, at 1 o'clock p. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment.

MONS GRINAGER, Register.
46] J. P. MOULTON, Receiver.

NOTICE. U. S. Land Office, Worthington, Minn., July 17, 1877.

Complaint having been filed in this office by Israel N. Wilson against Frank Lane, for abandoning Homestead Entry No. 9,721, dated July 1, 1874, upon the southwest ¼ sec. 20, tp. 101, range 41, in Nobles county, Minnesota, with a view to the cancellation of said entry; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 18th day of Sept., 1877, at 1 o'clock p. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment.

MONS GRINAGER, Register.
46] J. P. MOULTON, Receiver.

NOTICE.—U. S. Land Office, Worthington, Minn., July 3, 1877.

Complaint having been entered at this office by Delos Snyder against John Kemp and Charles A. Kemp for abandoning Homestead Entry No. 10,233 and 10,234 dated May 10, 1876, upon the n½ ne¼ Sec. 30, T. 104, R. 39 and s½ ne¼ sec. 30, town 104, range 39, in Nobles County, Minn. with a view to the cancellation of said entry; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 6th day of August 1877, at 1 o'clock p. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment.

MONS. GRINAGER, Register.
44] J. P. MOULTON, Receiver.

NOTICE. U. S. Land Office, Worthington, Minn., July 2, 1877.

Complaint having been entered at this office by Julius Hansen against Nimrod Ashbaugh for abandoning homestead entry No. 8895, dated June 3, 1873, upon the s½ sw¼ sec. 6, town 101, range 42, in Nobles county, Minn. with a view to the cancellation of said entry; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 7th day of August, 1877, at 1 o'clock p. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment.

MONS. GRINAGER, Register,
44 J. P. MOULTON, Receiver.

NOTICE, U. S. Land Office, Worthington, Minn., July 2, 1877.

Complaint having been entered at this office by Joseph Hirt against Irwin M. Smith for abandoning Timber entry No. 638, dated May 10, 1875, upon the se¼ section 32, town 105, range 39, in Murray county, Minnesota, with a view to the cancellation of said entry; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 6th day of August, 1877, at 1 o'clock p. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment.

MONS. GRINAGER, Register.
44] J. P. MOULTON Receiver.

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