

In Illinois a plan for the construction of good roads throughout the state is under discussion which possesses some excellent features.

The suggestion is that county bonds be issued so that the debt may be wiped out in 20 years by annual payments for interest and principal, equal in amount, so that a portion of the bonds will be paid each year.

This plan, however, would be of little utility unless the construction of the roads was assigned to the supervision and direction of an expert road-maker, who should be a surveyor and an officer of the state. And absolutely uniformity and completeness could thus be obtained, enabling farmers to market their produce without interruption and not be compelled, by bad weather, to hold their produce at home as long as time when prices are up, as they are often compelled to do now by reason of the execrable roads.

In New York a bill has been introduced into the legislature providing for a board of commissioners of state roads, to be intrusted with the construction and maintenance of roads outside the cities and incorporated villages. The bill authorizes the submission to the people of a law providing a loan of \$10,000,000 to pay for the roads, the state engineer to be in charge of the system. That is going into the business on a large scale, and \$10,000,000 investment in good roads will be worth to the farmers 10 times that much in economical traction and ability to reach markets at pleasure. In New Jersey the legislature has been considering a law providing for permanently good highways, and the farmers of the West and Northwest are opening their eyes to the formidable advantages of reform in this respect. The road reform effectuated would be worth more to the farmers of this state than hundreds of co-operative stores run by irresponsible parties ostensibly for the farmers' benefit. If Gen. Barrett would exercise his talents in this direction, the eloquence he is now wasting over this vaporous yet expensive "wheat and politics" investigation might be employed where it would do farmers some real, tangible good.—Minnesota Journal.

COUNTY NEWS.

RUSHMORE READINGS.

Through the days of cold and dark and dreary, we of "mud and politics" grow weary. That "mud and politics" will abound.

Miss Susie Gibson, of Worthington, is visiting with her sister, Mrs. W. Dougherty this week.

Mrs. Charles Duell, of Adrian, visited with friends and relatives at this place Tuesday.

Mr. Wood's house is now nearing its completion; it adds much to the beauty of our city.

Mr. S. B. Bedford returned from St. Paul Saturday where he has been attending the Republican convention.

Mr. McAllister, station agent at Adrian, was in town one day this week.

The Junior League will hold a dime social next Friday evening at the hotel. All are invited.

SEWARD.

A little squalling snow and rain storm visited us Monday. Seeding has been backward. Breaking for flax is now in order.

Mr. Sudder is expected to arrive here in a few days, after a long visit in Germany. We expect to see him accompanied by his bride.

Mr. Hartman, of Iowa, arrived here last Saturday, to spend a few days with old friends, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Coppersmith.

Mr. Hersh, formerly of Graham Lakes, has bought the net of sec. 8 and is now erecting a fine house.

Mr. Robestall, formerly of Denison, Iowa, has rented the set of sec. 8 and put up a nice house and barn. That's the way to boom. We wish our new neighbors much success in their new homes.

Mr. Thomas Ryan, formerly of Worthington, is at present staying with his sister, Mrs. William Molobon.

Mr. and Mrs. Gatt are the happy parents of a 9 1/2 pound daughter.

Sunday school in district No. 35 was reorganized May 1st by a missionary, Mr. Davis, and is now called the Seward Bible Sunday School. Supt., Mrs. Geo. Coppersmith; Ass't Supt., Mr. Hila Porter; Sec., Miss Hannah Worby; Treas., Mr. Wm. Sowers; Chorister, Miss Fannie Grieser; Librarians, Messrs. Lewis Coppersmith and Daniel Worby. Sunday school every Sabbath at 2:30 p. m. All are invited to come; come one and all.

During the storm of Sunday, May 1, about 9 a. m., the little 8 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Hibner, Johnnie, and Mrs. Hibner's brother, were both instantly killed by lightning, and little 3-year old Maggie was badly shocked, but not fatally injured. Mr. Hibner was only 22 years of age, coming here last fall to visit his brother. He will be missed by a large circle of friends. Mr. and Mrs. Hibner have the sympathy of this community in their sad bereavement of the untimely death of their son and brother. Funeral services were

held Tuesday at 1 p. m., at the residence, and the remains were interred in the new burying ground on Mr. Pingleton's farm.

LITTLE JOHNNIE.

Johnnie is gone! Another bud has been taken from earth ere its bloom. Filling fond hearts with pain, Filling long days with gloom; Hushed, forever, the voice That was music to mother's ears, Covered with flowers, the tiny form, We: with a mother's tears.

Johnnie is gone, and the house is lonely. The birds all seem calling his sweet name. The sweet flowers droop in pity. There is nothing that seems the same. But why do you weep, dear mother? Though you've laid his form 'neath the sod, He lives in the homes of the angels, His soul has flown upward to God.

The angels have welcomed your Johnnie, To their home which is peaceful and fair, Away from the trials of this life. He is sheltered quite safely there: And among the sweet flowers of heaven, Your own bud shall bloom and be blessed, For he is now waiting for you upward, When God calls you home to "His rest."

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FOOD AND DAIRY COMMISSION.

Two ESSENTIALS for a BAKING POWDER THAT WILL MAKE PERFECT BREAD.

The late report of the Minnesota State Food and Dairy Commission contains the result of a series of experiments made by Prof. C. W. Drew, State Chemist, to determine the strength and keeping qualities of the various baking powders.

The report attaches great importance to these experiments. Baking powders that vary in strength, or that readily lose strength before use, are unreliable and will not give even results; besides, it is an indication of the use of improper ingredients in their compounding. The tests showed the strength or leavening power of the Royal very much greater than that of the others. The uniformity of strength of all the samples of Royal tested, no matter what their age, was remarkable. Its leavening power was practically unimpaired even in the oldest specimens. The difference in the amount of leavening gas in different samples of the other brands was so great as to seriously impair their usefulness in baking. As much as 24 per cent loss was found in samples a few months old. All the samples of Royal examined by State Chemist Drew were reported of satisfactory strength and quality.

Dr. Drew states that the 'Royal' being of greater strength than any other, and possessing better keeping qualities, it is the natural conclusion that it is the best baking powder made.

STRUCK HIM FOR HALF A DOLLAR.

"I was walking down a wild ravine in West Virginia," said Will Payne, "looking after the operations of a railroad company in which I was interested and I suddenly came across a curious specimen of a tramp. He stopped me and began to work me for a quarter. He poured out the most interesting and amusing stories I ever heard of. He was a lawyer. I didn't believe it and began to doubt to catch him. I was pretty fresh from a district attorney's office and began to anticipate fun. Well that fellow had all the rudiments of law. He knew more about legal terms and theories than any lawyer I saw. In the middle of this he looked at me curiously and finally broke in: 'Your name is Payne—Will Payne. I was somewhat taken aback, but admitted the soft impeachment. 'Your name is Payne,' he went on. 'You are from Wilkesbarre, Pa.; you went to Lehigh university; you were in the district attorney's office; you are rich and are fooling around here with a railroad.' 'He poured out other information and at such a rate that I could scarcely get breath to ask him who he was and how he came to know so much. 'He is in the same class with you at Lehigh—never mind the rest. He is half a dollar. Thanks. Goodby.'"

All things considered, the greatest and the most interesting man who now lives on this planet is William E. Gladstone, and it is within bounds to declare that by far the most interesting sketch of Mr. Gladstone's personality, character, career, and methods of work that has ever been written is the brilliant article which is published as the leading feature of the May number of the Review of Reviews. It is quite impossible to characterize this sketch in a sentence or two, and we can only affirm that no reader, old or young, will regret having obtained a copy of the Review of Reviews for the sake of this account of Mr. Gladstone. It is with a marvellous freshness and youthful vigor that the "Grand Old Man" is preparing to enter upon the stormy election campaign of the present year.

Threshers! Binders! Mowers!

Minnesota Chief Threshers, Aultman & Taylor Threshers, Champion Binders & Mowers, Osborne Binders & Mowers, Standard Mowers, Etc. Wagons, Buggies, Carts, Plows, Harrows, Corn Tools, Hay Rakes.

H. C. Shepard, Worthington, Minn.

GOOD ROADS.

(From the "Gospel of Good Roads.") CHAPTER XIV. Of course you know that the distance of any farm from the nearest market affects its value. If located within a short distance of the town it is worth much more than a farm of the same quality six miles distant. The reason of this is that the farmer nearest the town has more advantages which the more remote farmer has not. He can haul his load to market in a shorter time and save much labor in marketing his crops. His social advantages are increased and he is possessed of many opportunities that would have been denied him had his farm been located any considerable distance from the town. But you know also that nothing shortens distance and saves time to the traveler as improved methods of quickening traffic and the means of transit upon which the traveler relies. It used to be a long week's journey for the American farmer to travel two hundred miles by wagon road to the nearest city, and since the railroad enables him to cover the same distance in five hours, he feels that his farm and home are so much nearer to the great center of trade and that its value has been enhanced accordingly. If you could drive over the six miles of wagon road between your house and the village in one hour at all times of year, and haul a full load of farm produce into the bargain, you would feel your farm had been moved considerably nearer the market than it now seems to be and its value would feel the benefit of that difference. There is no guess work about this statement. It is a result which has always followed the construction of good roads. I could tell you of a hundred instances, but one or two will answer fully our purpose here.

Not many years ago in the state of New Jersey, there were three or four small towns in which the community was made up of a plodding population in moderate circumstances, doing business on a low scale, in accordance with their poor facilities for communication. When the mud was hauled deep the patient New Jersey farmer who lived in those towns stayed at home and waited for the roads to dry up. No matter what might be the prevailing prices in town, he had no means of taking substantial advantage of them. Meanwhile, the consumers in the cities and villages depended in a measure upon the supply of the country produce raised in that vicinity, and in times when the farmers were tied up by the bondage of bad roads they were oppressed by a slack supply and consequently by enhanced prices. Trade was uncertain and farming was carried on with indifferent success. If you could go with me to those towns today you would find a marvelous transformation. From a collection of farms at one time connected by dirt roads, there has, in the last few years, sprung up one of the richest farming and residence localities in the United States. Many rich people have found their homes to those towns and a flourishing condition of things has taken the place of the easy going and slipshod methods which existed in the days of the dirt roads. The prime reason of all this improvement is fanciful to every resident who lives in those towns today. The beginning of prosperity began with the construction of the first improved road. Land values increased, traffic was quickened and enlarged, social communication became more easy and more frequent, schools, churches, shops, market places and railroad stations became more accessible and the country in consequence more attractive as a place of residence.

One of the oldest inhabitants of that section, Mr. Thomas Nevins, in an interview relating to the roads in his county, a short time ago, made a practical explanation which his long residence and familiar knowledge makes worthy to be repeated. He stated that the common idea that the roads of these towns are well paved because rich people had come there was erroneous, and declared that rich men had come there simply because the roads were well paved; that it had been found by the New Jersey people of his

town that a team could pull twice as much over a smooth road as over the average dirt road and pull it twice as rapidly; that he himself had tested at the time of that interview hauling stone to the new "Prudential Building," and that these teams were drawing 6,500 pounds to a load; that he knew by experience that the roads which they were using were hard and smooth and that these teams could not draw more than 3,000 pounds over the dirt road. Speaking of the general increase of land values brought about by the adoption of improved roads in the state of New Jersey, the same gentleman went on to mention the result of good roads in Union county, New Jersey, and stated that a few years ago certain lands belonging to his own brother (about 123 acres) was valued at \$50 to \$75 an acre, but that the owner was unable to sell it at even that price. The farm was unprofitable; bad roads made it difficult and expensive to get the farm products to market and the profits were insufficient to pay a fair rate of interest on the estimated value of the land. Every day that he owned that farm he became poorer.

(To be continued.) INSURANCE AT ACTUAL COST. Read the endorsement of Insurance Commissioner, Hon. C. H. Smith, of St. Paul, about the Alliance, Hail and Cyclone Mutual Insurance company, of Austin, Minnesota: He says it is the safest of any Mutual Hail Insurance company in the State. S. Kindlund of Worthington, will thoroughly canvass the county and will be found at Swedish or Union Mercantile company's stores every Saturday. The more that insure the cheaper will the insurance be. 39-1f

THE TRUE PLAN. Hope, Minn., Nov. 12, '91. Alliance Hail & Cyclone Mutual Insurance Co., Austin, Minn. GENTLEMEN: I have this day received of your company \$400 in full payment of my loss. I am well satisfied and recommend your company to the farmers of the state. I believe it to be the true plan of insurance. Yours truly, THOMAS HAMILTON.

CHURCH DEDICATION. The new church in Ransom is to be dedicated on Sunday May 22. There will be two services, morning and afternoon. In the morning at 10:30 there will be quarterly meeting, conducted by Rev. H. M. Triggs, the preacher in charge; after which will be the administration of the sacrament. At 2:30 in the afternoon will be the dedication service. The presiding elder of the district, Rev. G. H. Hair, of Mankato, will be present and will preach the dedication sermon. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

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