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LOCAL.

WORTHINGTON, MINN., APRIL 8, 1874.

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PRESBYTERIAN.—Services in the west room on first floor of Miller Block. Sunday School at 12 o'clock each Sabbath. Rev. W. P. Jackson, Pastor.
UNION CONGREGATIONAL.—Services, morning and evening. Sunday School immediately after the morning service. Praver meeting Thursday evening.

TO THE PUBLIC.
No arrangement has been made with the proprietors of the ADVANCE to fill out the advanced subscriptions of the late lamented publisher. Persons to whom the paper is sent will please notify us if they do not wish the paper continued.

Rev. Robt. McCune will preach at the Union Church to-morrow forenoon and evening.

The base-ball season is upon us, and the boys are busy at it every day in the park.

Croquet is already the order of the day just about sundown.

Mr. Bennett has put a small residence on Third Avenue opposite the Church.

Mr. Hollis has sold about 100,000 cuttings, and still has more for sale.

Mr. Sprague had a narrow stolen from Hodgkinson's blacksmith shop a few evenings since.

The long freight trains daily going through Worthington indicate quite an increase in the business of the railroad. One train went east a few days ago containing 52 cars.

Seeding has been lively during the week. Some wheat has already sprouted.

The pay-car passed here yesterday, scattering currency and joy as it went.

The dentists seem to be doing a good business. Mr. Bennett, of the depot, had eight teeth "extracted" the other day.

Mr. Harrington has been painting the zinc roof on the Worthington Hotel.

Mr. Cope, on Mr. Ames's farm, put in twenty acres of wheat with a seeder in two afternoons during the past week.

The Social of the Worthington Corn-Band last evening was a success.—The boys want to raise the "wind" to play on Summer nights in the park.

C. B. Loveless is building a two-story blacksmith shop on Third Avenue opposite his present shop.

We invite attention to the card of the Worthington Seminary. This institution has had a very encouraging success and has a promising future before it.

S. A. Davis has already received his new, horizontal ice-cream freezer and will be able, by beginning early, to supply the demand for ice-cream the coming Summer. M. D.'s cash receipts last year in his business were about \$5,000.

The fishing season is fairly begun. In Ocheeda creek, the outlet of Ocheeda Lake, a man caught over a hundred large pickerel with a pitch-fork a few evenings since. They will soon be burning up on the heavy dew and getting into our cisterns and wells.

Parties owning property on the north side of Tenth Street between Fourth and Sixth Avenues, have been notified that they are required to lay a sidewalk by the 29th. We shall have more to say upon the sidewalk question hereafter.

A large number of European Larches may be seen just across the railroad, opposite the coal-yard. The railroad company, as heretofore announced, is about to plant Larches along the line of the road, and the work is now progressing on both sides of Worthington, under direction of Mr. Sol. Waters.

The warm weather has thawed out the soda fountains, and the "sizz" of the drawing can be heard along Tenth street. We had a glass at Moore & Smith's, which tasted refreshing after a four mile walk from one of the best claims in the county. Their soda is capped with marble, and embossed with silver, and hence can be relied on.

The first bouquet of the season was sent us yesterday by Mr. F. Bloom.—It is composed of the prairie crocus "with fur overcoats on," as a Worthington lady once described this little pioneer of the flowers. We learn that the prairie is already colored with them in places.

Humiston & Stockdale are adding largely to their stock of hardware, stoves, etc. A visit to their store is sufficient evidence that they mean business.

Dr. Barber has returned from Winona. Dr. Leonard, Register of the Land office, has been in town during most of the week.

Mr. Grant, Clerk in the Land office, came over on Monday, and is stopping at the Worthington Hotel.

Mr. Hollipeter and family have returned from Indiana and will spend the Summer in Worthington.

Mr. Rohne, traveling agent for the lumber house of Dean & Co., of Minneapolis, was in town yesterday.

Dr. Barber has just returned from St. Paul with a complete Stock of Goods, in the line of Drugs, Stationery, Blank Books, Patent Medicines, Perfumery, Druggists' Sundries, &c., which he is selling at panic prices.

THE ADVANCE.
An Eastern journalist, and one who has made his fortune in the newspaper business, writes us concerning the programme which we gave in our issue of the 4th inst., for making the ADVANCE a first-class county journal. He says: "That programme ought to be printed on satin in letters of gold and hung up in a gilt frame, not only in the ADVANCE office, but in every county newspaper office in the land. It is exactly my idea of what the paper should be." The paper can be brought up to that standard, but it will require unwearied industry, alertness of every kind and versatility of talent on the one hand, and a generous support from the people on the other hand. The marked improvement of the paper under the new management is drawing congratulations from friends and acquaintances from foes.

JOBING HOUSE.
Mr. Barnes, junior member of the firm of Barnes & Son, of Chicago, was in Worthington a few days since prospecting with reference to opening a Grocery and Drug jobbing house. We learn that Mr. Barnes was very favorably impressed with the location and that he will probably open his stock of goods here as early as the first or middle of May. We do not doubt that in a few years quite a jobbing business can be done from this place. There are some nine counties which trade more or less at Worthington. We occupy the half way position between Sioux City and Maunkato, and as there must be a trading and distributing city of some consequence between these two points, we feel sure that Worthington will be that city. It is so recognized now, and we see nothing in prospect which can prevent it.

OKABENA FLOUR.
Messrs. Sutton & Co., are receiving letters from the East which indicate that the Okabena or Worthington brand is taking high rank in the eastern markets. Minnesota flour generally seems to be steadily advancing not only in favor but in price. We are assured that the Minnesota new process flour is driving the St. Louis brands, which formerly held the first rank, from the market.

The Okabena mills are so complete that the flour made here is as nearly perfect as machinery and skill can make it. It now ranks, as was seen by the letter published in a former issue, as the "best flour ever seen in Sioux City."

In some instances farmers at a distance have complained of the amount of wheat required in exchange, and I have gone to inferior mills to get their flour. But after eating four more or less bitter loaves from weeds and much darker, they have usually returned to the Okabena mills, glad to pay a few pounds more in exchange in order to have their wheat cleansed and scoured by the machinery in use here, and to get flour which is pure and white as snow. Farmers frequently come here from Dakota and Iowa to exchange.

THE ARBOR MEETING.
Pursuant to call, a number of citizens met at Miller Hall last Saturday to appoint an Arbor Day for Nobles county. Dr. Craft was called to the Chair and Capt. Lyon was chosen Secretary. The first Saturday in May was selected as Arbor Day. A Committee of five was appointed to correspond with the Supervisors of each town to notify them of the appointment of the day. The Committee consisting of Capt. Miner, C. C. Goodnow, Chas. Humiston, Mrs. Lacker and Mrs. Craft. A Committee of Arrangements was appointed consisting of M. B. Soule, J. C. Clark, C. B. Loveless, Mrs. H. Humiston and Mrs. Capt. Smith. The time appointed for the meeting on Arbor Day is ten o'clock in the morning.

The programme will be announced hereafter. Now let every one begin preparation for the day, and let us see who can plant the largest number of trees. Make it a holiday, a tree-planting picnic, and do yourselves and your children a permanent service.

LAND OFFICE.
The Land Office is now in Worthington occupying quarters in the Post office building. Dr. Leonard and family and Mr. Grant, the clerk, and family came over during the week and Judge Wakefield will be here in a day or two. The office will open on Monday, the 29th, and the business of ordering trials will no doubt be resumed with vigor. We congratulate the people upon the removal of the office to a point more accessible and convenient.

THE THROUGH TRAIN.
The Sioux City Journal says that at a meeting of railroad men in that city recently it was arranged to run through trains between St. Paul and St. Louis. The time on this road will not be changed. This arrangement, we learn, will go into operation Monday next.

The Worthington Advance under the new management is better than before.—Sibley Gazette.

And there is very general regret that the change was so long delayed. We have just begun to improve the ADVANCE. Nothing short of making it one of the best weekly journals in the west will satisfy us. We expect soon to enlarge the paper, improve the make-up and the matter, change the name in part, and make a paper worthy of the National Colony as it is to be, and as it will be if the temperance and the religious elements are true to their work.

ARRIVALS.
The arrivals by train for the past week numbered about the same as last week: Farmer's Hotel, 7 by train Third Avenue, 17 by train and 29 by train; Worthington Hotel, 49 by train and 29 by train; Okabena House. A great many still arrive by team who do not register at the hotels.

Croquet has broken out in Windom.

REV. ROBT. McCUNE.
Rev. Robert McCune and Lady, of Toledo, arrived here by the evening train on Saturday last, and are the guests of Dr. Moore. Mr. McCune preached at the Union Church on Sunday morning and evening. He visits Worthington at the solicitation of many friends, and thinks of making this his home as soon as he can arrange his affairs to quit Toledo. Mr. McCune is at present Appraiser of Merchandise for that port. He was chief editor of the Toledo Blade during its palmy days, and did much to give it the reputation which it acquired as "the great radical paper of the Northwest." During a part of the time we were associated with him in the editorship of the Blade, and we are quite sure that for sturdy and manly character, and for pure gold all the way through, we have rarely known his equal.

AN ADVENTURE.
NOT FROM THE DANUBIUS NEWS.
A few days ago our bachelor friend Church drove into Okabena Lake with his ox-wagon to get a few barrels of water. The oxen had not been definitely informed as to his purpose and therefore took it into their heads, it seems, that he wanted them to cross the lake through the middle. Mr. Church, perceiving this misapprehension, set up a series of the most peculiar and immoderate shouts which we ever heard emanating from an ox-wagon, crying "woe!" "woe!" "woe!" to the oxen with a vigor worthy of the man who proclaimed the ruin of the ancient city. But those oxen kept right on, and Mr. Church got up and walked out of the frying-pan into the fire, that is, he walked right off the hind end of the wagon into the water and made for the shore. The water seems to have had a sobering and invigorating effect upon Mr. Church, for he stopped where the lake was about waist deep, turned round and began some remarks and blarneyisms in ox language, such as "jee!" "woe-jee!" "jee-woe-jee!" "jee-woe-jee!" dwelling upon the last word at considerable length, emphasizing the ante-penultimate, giving the rising inflection to the penultimate, and reaching a perfect scream of a climax at the ultimate or final syllable. This seems to have brought the oxen to a sense of their mistake, for they turned to the right with great deliberation and waded ashore, looking as innocent as a pair of twins.

The ladies of the Union Church will hold a pound social at the residence of Mr. L. Clark on next Friday evening.

Since our announcement of this social in our last issue, there has been considerable inquiry as to what a Pound social is. We are requested to publish the following explanation: Every person is requested to bring a pound of something with the donor's name attached to the package. After refreshments have been served, the various packages will be sold at auction. Persons bringing no packages will be charged ten cents for refreshments.

FIREX.
On Sunday last, about noon, the house of M. Brayton, of Indian Lake township, was burned to the ground, with all its contents except one or two articles of little value. Among the articles consumed were a piano and a sewing machine. The house caught, we learn, from a spark which fell into the stable manure with which the house had been banked up. The loss falls very heavily on Mr. Brayton.

Another fire occurred yesterday in sight of town. The stable on Mrs. Penfield's farm, on the West Lake, caught fire about two o'clock in the afternoon, and was entirely consumed.—Mr. McKee, who lives on the place, lost some implements and a quantity of hay and feed. The house was saved with great difficulty. We learn that the stable manure with which the house was banked up was several times on fire. The stable caught from a prairie fire lighted by a boy who lives with Mr. McKee.

There is quite a penalty for firing the prairie, yet it is done every day with impunity. This year especially, when there is a prospect of quite a hatch of young grasshoppers, the prairie grass should be preserved in order to burn them up. Those who need to fight prairie fires may find it to advantage to know that there is nothing equal to wet bags for the purpose. One man with a wet bag or two can put out an ordinary fire.

While upon this subject we wish to call attention to the hay, straw and manure, which cover half the lots in Worthington. We have all that is needed for a conflagration, except the spark, and that may be applied at any moment.

DESTROYING TREES.
Passing by a claim a few days ago where there were a number of trees set averaging six and seven feet in height, we noticed that six or eight trees had been destroyed, two of which were cut off smoothly with jack-knives, and the rest were broken and twisted off. Whether done through spite or wantonness, we cannot say. There is hardly any species of property in this county which should be so jealously guarded and so exempt from the hand of malice as young trees. We notice also that around one of the lots in town about half the trees have been broken off. We hope the Council will give us a stringent ordinance for the protection of trees.

We learn that Mr. Douglas, while putting his horses in the stable on last Sunday evening was kicked in the head by one of them and considerably though not seriously hurt.

Rev. Mr. Livermore, Rector of the Episcopal Church, at St. Peter, preached at Hersey on Sunday last. An Episcopal Sunday school is to be started there.

LADIES' DEPARTMENT.

SPRING FASHIONS.
The two prevailing colors for dresses this Spring are brown and quaker gray. Information comes to us from the most reliable sources that there are in the market about thirty shades of gray and thirty-seven shades of brown, so that the most fastidious tastes, as well as the most difficult complexions can be accommodated. If you have not a bright, fresh complexion, beware of gray, unless it be the darker shades. But if you are so fortunate as to have a clear, rosy complexion, nothing can be prettier for you than a dress made of two or three shades of gray, and trimmed off at the neck with a ruche of color and pink bow. The browns make up beautifully—several shades blended in one dress. Green will be worn more this Spring and Summer than last, and what could make a handsomer, cheerier looking dress—though not becoming to every one? All other colors will be worn more or less, as is always the case. Among the cotton and linen summer goods, buff seems to be the prevailing color at present, of which twenty-five shades have made their appearance. Nothing can be handsomer than a nicely made buff suit, and no color in the catalogue is better adapted to all complexions, unless it be black.

Just here let us say, that if economy is to be taken into consideration, (and who of us can say that it is not,) and a dress is wanted that will be suitable for both winter and summer, and that will give satisfaction as long as it lasts, there is nothing equal to a blue serge. A good article, that will make a serviceable dress, for general wear, can be bought for from 50 to 60 cents per yard. For a better article, alike on both sides, with a fine lustre, 75 cts., and for \$1 per yard, as made some a piece can be bought as any one could desire. Dresses intended more especially for the house are made with slight trains, all the fullness being thrown back by getting the front and side breadths so that they are put on the hand entirely plain. Street dresses just escape the ground, which is sensible, and must command itself to all ladies who care for personal cleanliness, or for economy of money or muscle.

Over-skirts and bustles are quite popular this Spring, and polonaise is revived, but the redingote, comfortable as it is, has met with disfavor. Where no over-skirt is worn the dress is trimmed considerably, care being taken that the front and back trimmings are entirely different. Sometimes the back breadths are trimmed in narrow ruffle to the waist, while the front breadths have bias perpendicular puffs, or plain bias bands; the latter making a plain but equally pretty dress. The back breadths are sometimes left entirely plain, while the side breadths are covered with narrow ruffles reaching to the basque and finished at the sides by a puff or double ruffle. Kilt or side plaiting is still fashionable and puffs are quite the style. Great care is now being given to the fit of a dress, and to the hang of the skirt. If successful in these two particulars, the dress is a success whether it is trimmed at all or not. Fashion at present inclines to open sleeves—very in dress ones yet—but not telling what a day it is bringing forth. Bonnets and hats are made to match the dress—often of the same material—and the lats, as a rule, have soft crowns. They are trimmed in ribbon of same color but of a different shade and flowers that blend or contrast nicely. Large bouquets will be worn this summer, but not as much as straw. There are fewer slapses to select from than last year, and rather more uniformity in the styles. Drooping brims are more popular than others, for the reason, I suppose that they are generally not becoming. Ruffles are still in vogue for dressy occasions, but plain linen collars with cuffs to match, are worn more than anything else, and nothing can be prettier.

For little girls' dresses, the Gabrielle is still a great favorite, as both economy and beauty are recommended. Little boys, from three to six years old, are wearing the Scotch suit, with kilt and jacket either of the same or different material. Where they are alike plaid goods are used for both, but when they are different, as is the true Scotch suit, the skirt is plaid and the jacket of some plain material—generally black.

JENNIE JULY.
Moore & Smith have the largest and most complete stock of Drugs, Paints, Oils and Stationery ever brought into Nobles County.

A letter from West Salem, Ohio, says that the ground froze there on the night of the 12th inst. What a country that must be to live in!

Mrs. Little, of Emmet county, Iowa, recently gave birth to two twins, a boy and a girl. The *Indicator* says Mr. L. defies competition.

The Sioux City and Pembina Railroad Company is erecting a freight depot at Beloit.

There are now two ferries on the Big Sioux River, one at Beloit and one at Sioux Falls.

DIED.
At Mankato, March 30th, of typhoid fever, Edmondson, C. D. and F. E. Snow, of Dewell. Little Eddie was a bright and promising boy of six summers.

Beyond the bright and pretty eyes, Where Jesus, loving Saviour, waits, Where all is peaceful, bright and fair; His home is there—his home is there!

SPECIAL NOTICES.
1000 Rolls Wall Paper, Newest Spring Patterns, at
BARBER & LAWRENCE'S.

Mary had a little corn, And everywhere that Mary went The corn was sure to go: The corn she changed to get a pair of those easy fitting shoes which can always be found at Pones's Boot & Shoe Store.

But prices we make high down, Dem under stone follows but we—not Oh! well, none and speak mit us any how. C. T. POPE, [32]

Those wishing to SEND MONEY safely and cheaply by mail will find it to their advantage to get Drafts at the BANK OF WORTHINGTON.

Beans, Peas, and Onion Seeds at
Moore & Smith's.

You can always find a good assortment of Boots & Shoes at
POPE'S.

Malony's Cigars, the best. Go to
Moore & Smith's for them.

Try some of that fine Honey at
Moore & Smith's.

Moore & Smith keep the best stock of Cigars in town.

A large stock of Notions, Balls, Cutlery and Perfumery just received at
B. & L.

NOTICE TO TEACHERS.
OFFICE CO. SUP'T. OF SCHOOLS, WORTHINGTON, APR. 11, 1874.
The second of the Spring examinations of Teachers will be held at the public school rooms in Worthington on Friday and Saturday, April 24 and 25, 1874. Examinations to commence at 10 a. m., of each day. Applicants for third grade certificates are requested to present themselves on Friday. All applicants are required to pass examination in orthography, reading, writing, English grammar, geography, arithmetic and History of the United States.

In addition to these branches, candidates for first grade certificates are requested to pass examination in plane geometry, elementary algebra, physical geography and physiology.
T. C. BELL,
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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.
FOR SALE.
House and Lot on 10th Street. enquire of
BENTON & GOODNOW.
PARTIES having Cattle to Herd can apply to
JOHN ALLEY.

TREES.
Cotton Wood and Soft Maple Trees at \$4.00 per thousand. Also Soft Maple and White Elm (Nursery grown and Trans-Planted) from 10 to 12 feet high, at low rates, by
W. E. CHAPIN.

NOTICE.
Is hereby given to the Assessors elected for 1874, that the general laws in this County are Nobles, that the Tax Law of the State requires them to meet at the County Auditor's Office on the second of May next, at 9 o'clock a. m. Meeting to open at eleven o'clock a. m.
WILLIAM M. BEAR, Co. Auditor.
Worthington, Apr. 14, 1874.

WORTHINGTON SEMINARY.
The 2d Session of Worthington Seminary will begin on Thursday, April 23, and continue until Wednesday, July 1st, 1874.
This Seminary is designed to prepare youth of both sexes for the pursuits of life, or for College. The Curriculum of Study at this Seminary, for studying those branches of education and literature, is fully embraced in the Freshman and Sophomore years of the Common Course, and is approved by the Board of Instruction to the Seminary. Such an institution is of great importance to this community, as it presents an alternative to the expense of sending youth to acquire a broad and liberal education at moderate expense. It is hoped, therefore, that the surrounding country will contribute and support this noble enterprise and by placing it on a firm foundation, thus securing an industrial and moral future for the young people of this community.
All communications to be addressed to
C. T. DUNNING, Sec. of Faculty,
Worthington, Apr. 14, 1874.

IN PROBATE COURT.
STATE OF MINNESOTA,
NOBLES COUNTY, ss.
In the matter of the Estate of William F. Heh, dec'd, bearing on file the petition of Mary C. Heh, of said county, representing among other things, that said deceased, William F. Heh, died testate, and that the said Mary C. Heh, is his widow, and that the said William F. Heh, at the time of his death, was possessed of real and personal estate in Nobles County, and that the said petitioner is wife of said deceased, and praying for the appointment of said estate to John B. Churchill, granted. It is ordered that said petition be heard before the Judge of the Probate Court, on the 23d day of May, A. D. 1874, at 2 o'clock p. m. at Probate's office in said county.

Given further, that notice thereof be given to the heirs of said deceased, and to all persons interested, by publishing a copy of this order for three consecutive weeks prior to said day of May, 1874, in the Western Advance, a weekly newspaper, printed and published at Worthington in said county.

Dated at Worthington the 15th day of May, A. D. 1874. By the Court, J. CRAFT, Judge of Probate.

B. T. BABBITT'S Pure Concentrated Potash, OR LYE.
Of Double the Strength of any other
SAPONIFYING SUBSTANCE.
I have recently perfected a new method of purifying Potash of Lye, and am now packing it in boxes, the coating of which will save the Potash from being soiled, and will pack in 100 lbs. containing 25 and 48 lbs. Balls, and all other sizes. Brevets in English and German, for making hard soap with this Potash, accompanying each package.

B. T. BABBITT,
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FOR SALE—A House and Lot on Tenth Street, two doors west of Miller Hall. Time given on part payment.
C. M. SKINNER.

FARM FOR SALE.
I wish to sell 100 acres of land three miles and a half north of Worthington, being the north-east corner of Section 19, Town 102, Range 41, in Nobles County, Minnesota. A good house, good well, and other improvements. Also a large barn, and a well on the place. Will sell cheap if sold soon.
Apply to
JOSEPH SMITH.

NOTICE.
U. S. INTERNAL REVENUE SPECIAL TAX, MAY 1, 1874, TO APRIL 30, 1875.

The Law of December 24, 1872, requires every person engaged in any business, profession or occupation which renders him liable to a SPECIAL TAX, to file with the Collector of Internal Revenue a statement of the amount of such tax, and to pay the same before commencing or continuing business after April 30, 1874.

The Law above embraced within the provisions of the Law above quoted are the following, viz:
Dealers, retail liquor \$20.00
Dealers, wholesale liquor 100.00
Dealers in malt liquors, wholesale 50.00
Dealers in malt liquors, retail 25.00
Dealers in fat tobacco 25.00
Retail dealers in cigars 500.00
And on sale of over \$1,000, fifty cents for every dollar in excess of \$1,000.

Dealers in manufactured tobacco, in public conveyance 10.00
Dealers in cigars, in public conveyance 50.00
Manufacturers of stills 50.00
And for each still manufactured 20.00
And for each worn manufactured 10.00
Manufacturers of cigars 10.00
Manufacturers of tobacco 10.00
Peddlers of tobacco, first class (more than two horses) 50.00
Peddlers of tobacco, second class (two horses) 25.00
Peddlers of tobacco, third class (one horse) 15.00
Peddlers of tobacco, fourth class (on foot or public conveyance) 10.00
Peddlers of less than 200 barrels 50.00
Brewers of 100 barrels or more 25.00
Any person, so liable, who shall fail to comply with the foregoing requirements will be subject to severe penalties.

Persons or firms liable to pay any of the Special Tax above mentioned, must apply to A. C. SMITH, Collector of Internal Revenue at Beloit, Minnesota, and pay for and procure the Special Tax stamp of stamps they may need, prior to May 1, 1874, and without failure.

J. W. DODD, CLERK.
Collector of Internal Revenue.
OFFICE OF INTERNAL REVENUE,
WASHINGTON, D. C., February 16, 1874.

NOTICES OF CONTEST.
NOTICE. U. S. Land Office, Jackson, Minn., April 8, 1874.
Complaint having been entered at this office by Ellen Smith against Henry Tassie, for abandoning homestead entry No. 873, dated Aug. 12, 1872, upon the