Western Advance.

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Every parent whose son is away at school, should supply him with a newspaper. I well remember what a marked difference there was between those of my schoolmates who had, and those who had not, access to newspapers. Other things being equal, the first were always decidedly superior to the last in debate, composition and general intelligence.—*Daniel Webster.*

REPUBLICAN CONGRESSIONAL CONVENTION.

The Republicans of the Frst Congressional District of Minnesota will meet in delegate convention at Owatonna, on Tuesday, July 14th, 1874, at 3 o'clock p. m., to nominate a candidate for Congress for the term commencing on the 4th of Marth, 1875.

The basis of county representation has been fixed as follows: One delegate for each organized county in said district, and one delegate for each 200 Republican voters or major part thereof cast for Governor in 1873. Under such appointment counties will be entitled to delegates as follows:

Blue Earth	8	Murray	2
Cottonwood	2	Nobles	3
Dodge	5	Olmsted	7
Faribault	7	Pipestone	1
Fillmore	8	Rock	2
Freeborn	6	Steele	5
Houston	7	Waseca	5
Jackson	3	Watonwan	6
Martin	2	Winona	9
Mower	6		

By order of Committee.

J. M. Burlingame, Chairman.

Dated Owatonna, May 20, 1874.

The Wells & Mankato railroad is not to be built, after all. Under the adverse legislation prevailing, New York capitalists prefer to sacrifice the two-thirds already invested rather than to furnish the one-third required to complete the road. This failure is to be regretted, as the road would have opened the Iowa coal fields to a large part of the Minnesota prairies, and have opened a new field to Minnesota lumber.

THE STATE PRINTING.

The Commissioners of State Printing met on the 9th to open the bids for State work. There were just 0 bids, all told. The Minimum rate fixed by the Legislature was so low that no printer in the State could afford to do the work, and the State must go without printing. The St. Paul *Press* declines to do any more work, especially since the State has failed to pay for work done last year and the present year strictly according to contract. Minnesota ought to be heartily ashamed of this. But we suppose she will not be until she has filled her Legislature several times with impractical Donnellys, who will enact that printing of all kinds shall be done at the cost of the paper; that money shall be loaned to the farmers at 3 per cent. per annum, and that the standard price of wheat per bushel shall be $2, plus the transportation charges.

HOMESTEADER'S RELIEF BILL PASSED.

Congressman Orr, from the Sioux City District, writes to the Register of the Sioux City Land Office that the bill to allow settlers on government lands, within the grasshopper district, to leave their claims until next year without forfeiting their rights, has passed the Senate. It is therefore a law, and it only remains for the Commissioner of Public Lands to prescribe the rules under which homesteaders may be absent. The permits extend to May 1st, 1875. The following is an abstract of the law:

The first section provides that it shall be lawful for homestead and pre-emption settlers on the public lands in the counties of Cottonwood, Nobles, Martin, Jackson, Watonwan, Murray, Rock, Lyon, Redwood, Brown, Chippewa and Renville, in the State of Minnesota, and the counties of Iowa which compose the Sioux City land district and counties contigous to either of the above exempted sections, where the crops of such settlers were destroyed or seriously injured by grasshoppers in the year 1873, and where such grasshoppes shall reappear in 1874 to the like destruction of the crops of such settlers, to leave and be absent from said lands until May 1st, 1875, under such regulations as to proof of the same as the Commissioner of the General Land Office may prescribe.

The second section provides that during such absence no adverse rights shall attach to such lands, such settlers being allowed to resume and perfect their settlement as though no such absence had been enjoyed or allowed.

The third section provides the same exemption from continued residence shall be extended to those making settlements in 1874, and suffering the same destruction of crops as those making settlement in 1873 or any previous year.

MISTAKEN CRUSADING.

Some of the ladies of Austin have made quite a mistake in changing the spirit and method of the temperance crusade. A few evenings since a number of them, headed by the sheriff, entered a saloon for the purpose of obtaining evidence that the keeper was selling liquor without license. One of the ladies reached out her hand to seize a glass of beer which had been drawn for a customer, when he threw the beer into her face. The women were then ordered out of the saloon, and a tumbler was thrown which struck a clergyman on the head, the crusaders were driven into the street, and a mob gathered which for a time threatened serious results.

This was one of the most ill-advised movements of which we have heard in connection with the woman's temperance movement. The ladies ought not anywhere to become spies and informers, nor to visit the saloons at all unless it be for prayer or kindly remonstrance. Saloon-keepers and saloon-supporters are of that class of men who beat and abuse the women of their own families, and they certainly will not hesitate to do violence to women whom they regard as their enemies, if there is any pretext for so doing. The *Register* says of the conclusion of the disturbance:

To wind up this disgraceful frolic a portion of the crowd obtained several kegs of beer, and went with it to the public square, where they drank it and sang songs over it until nearly daylight Sunday morning.

This reminds us forcibly of the episode in our first Fourth of July celebration in the National Colony. The liquor element had imported several kegs of beer which was set out in the hotel yard, and the public were invited to drink. At the conclusion of the addresses and ceremonies of the celebration, Prof. Humiston headed a procession and knocked in the heads of the beer kegs. This enraged the liquor element, and, after forming a procession and burying the demolished kegs in the park, they mounted horses and for several hours rode up and down the streets, like so many crazy Indians. At night they burnt Prof. Humiston in effigy in the park. But the temperance people stood together, and nearly every man who participated in the disgraceful orgies of that day, slunk away from Worthington and the temperance element remains triumphant, with not a grog-shop in Nobles County. Let us keep the fire alive so that whenever it is necessary we can set the pot to boiling.

MINNESOTA.

Minnesota Leads the World in Wheat, Flour and Stock—St. Louis Surrenders her lead of the Flour Market—Stock-Raising Capabilities of the State.

In speaking of our Worthington, or Okabena Mills, which are among the most complete in the West, we have had frequent occasion to dwell upon the new process flour of Minnesota, and to state that the best Minnesota brands commanded from two to four dollars more than the best St. Louis brands. The St. Louis *Democrat*, in a recent number, yields the palm to Minnesota, and makes this confession:

"If, a few years ago, any one had predicted that flour manufactured from Spring wheat would have brought a greater price than the best flour that could possibly be manufactured from winter wheat, that person would have been laughed at. Yet this extraordinary fact is true to-day. We have been handed the New York Produce Exchange Reporter and Price Current of May 28, in which we notice St. Louis xxx Winter wheat flour quoted at $10.25 per barrel, and Minnesota superlative extra $13 per barrel. Minnesota superlative extra is simply the best flour that can be made from Spring wheat, while the xxx St. Louis represents the best flour that can be made from Winter wheat, and it is the highest quotation for Winter wheat flour in the list. The once famous brands from the Genesee Valley are now quoted at $8.40; Richmond, Va., best is quoted at $9.30, and Baltimore and Delaware best at $8. Think of it, growers of the splendid Winter wheat of Illinois and Missouri! Flour made from the Spring wheat of Minnesota is now outselling the best St. Louis by $2.75 per barrel! Do you wonder that our millers are loth to buy Winter wheat at $1.47 to $1.50 per bushel, when these Minnesota millers are purchasing Spring at $1 to $1.10 and manufacturing it into a flour which brings $2.75 per barrel more than the best St. Louis can turn out?"

The St. Paul *Pioneer*, in some comments upon this confession, says:

The fact is fully established that only from the spring wheat grown in this northerly climate and latitude can the best results be achieved. The hard, dry berry of Minnesota furnishes the choicest wheat for this process in the world. Not even with the new middlings purifier can winter wheat be used to advantage; and it is also true that when transported as far south as St. Louis for milling, the Minnesota berry loses the virtue it possesses in the home climate. The fact is conclusive, therefore, that Minnesota is destined to enjoy the monopoly of raising the best wheat and manufacturing the best flour in the world; and the result will be to materially enhance the price of both wheat and flour in this market, and keep it in constant and unvarying demand.

It is only a few years since the new middlings separator processs came into use, but under the impulse of this flouring mills have been springing up like magic all over the State. And they will go on multiplying, we hope, until the transportation problem, so far as wheat is concerned, will be settled by turning Minnesota wheat into flour at our own mills. This is the tendency at present, and the large profits and advantages of the milling business here, will just as certainly turn capital into that channel in vast quantities, as the magnificent water power of Minnesota will turn the mill wheels when the mills are once built.

STOCK.

We gave, in a former issue, the account of the sale of the Lyndale Herd. The *Pioneer*, commenting upon this, says:

The recent remarkable sale of the Lyndale herd at Dexter Park will no doubt stimulate the agricultural community of Minnesota to give more attention to this profitable branch of production than it has heretofore received. The fact has been fully demonstrated that the soil, climate and general conditions prevailing in this section are peculiarly adapted to the development of the highest physical possibilities of the genus bull. When, as was established by the recent sale at Dexter Park, a man can go to bed at night and find himself possessed in the morning of a couple of twin calves, the sale of which at a year old will bring him money enough to buy five thousand acres of good farm land, he will have a slight inkling of the profit which attends the prosecution of this profitable industry. If the very best and purest high bred cattle will thrive here so well of course the common mixture will do even better. It was the strong, healthy, pure and spirited appearance of Col. King's herd, as the papers all report, united to their superior strain of blood, that made the bidders crazy. What Col. King has done any farmer in the State can do in proportion to his means. From small beginnings come great endings. We hope to see a new start taken in this important direction by the showing afforded by this sale of the capacities of Minnesota for producing blooded stock. The State now enjoys the rare honor of having produced the highest priced herd, in consideration of its pedigree, of any ever before bred. We trust this honor will not be allowed to be immediately snatched away.

A writer in the Sioux Falls *Independent* claims that oil has been struck in Lake county, Dakota, near the proposed county-seat of the county. As this lake region is tributary to Worthington, who knows but we may soon be doing a good business here handling oil?

OPINIONS OF THE STATE PRESS.

[From the Madelia Times.]

In many respects Mr. Dunnell has made a good member, but there seems to be a prospect that the back-pay matter will affect him injuriously although he argued and voted for its repeal.

Gen. Edgerton has a good war record and has been an efficient officer as Railroad Commissioner. Of his experience as a legislator we are not aware.

Both of these gentleman have ability and we trust integrity of purpose.

[From the Waseca News.]

Among Republicans here we have heard but one opinion, and that is that Gen. A. J. Edgerton, of Mantorville, is the man who should receive the nomination for Congress. While we have no disposition to speak disparagingly of any other candidate, we feel confidant that no other has so strong a support among the masses of the people.

[From the Jackson Republic.]

Those papers in the east part of the District that are anxious to see their master, Dunnell, returned to Congress are very [illegible] in all their praises not to say [illegible] in praise of his crowning act [illegible] Congress, viz: the taking of the back pay salary grab. Now it is unfair not to give him all the praise he is entitled to, and as he put in sharper work on that act than any other why not give him credit for it as well?

[From the Mantorville Express.]

The transportation question is the one which lies uppermost, in the minds of the people, and upon which a candidate must have decided known views in order to receive the suffrages of the people. On this question Gen. Edgerton can safely be counted upon the people's side, and his thorough knowledge of railroad matters acquired in the discharge of his duties as Railroad Commissioner could not fail to be of great advantage to him if elected to Congress, and on all questions affecting the welfare of the people, he could with equal safety be counted upon as casting his influence with the side that would appear to him in the end to afford the greatest good to the greatest number.

His temperance principles are also such as will recommend him as a safe person with whom the trusts of the people may be confided.

These, with his past record, which has always been a model of consistency and as good as the best, cannot fail to render him in all respects a condidate for whom the people delight to cast their votes, and as such we would urge his nomination at the convention.

[From the Mankato Union.]

After careful survey of the ground, and after making all the possible tests of genuine friendship possible among the true and tried politicians and blowers of the Republican party in this district, Mr. Dunnell has concluded to take the field again for a third term in Congress. The scheme of crosslifting between the west and east ends of the district, is to be used in forcing a nomination. For instance, it is argued that the west and land office end are pledged to him on account of political favors and must support him. The few friends, in the eastern part of the district, appreciating the strength of the land office influence, maintain that they must support the choice of the west, or, in other words, if the west is for him, the east must be, and if the east is for him the west must be. Both ends of the district are afraid to make open opposition against him, for fear of being left out in the cold. Already some of the beneficiaries of the little tit-bits, which come from the "rich man's table," are inflating his virtues and apologizing for his short comings. No doubt the work in hand is so systematised by the professional candidate-makers that any effort to put a new candidate in the field will prove futile. The only gentleman mentioned in opposition is A. J. Edgerton, late railroad commissioner, appointed under the legislation of last Winter. It is understood that he is altogether too modest a man to cope with Dunnell. If he would succeed, let him load up with brass or invest in one of Bill King's short horn bulls.

[From the Winona Cor of the St. Paul Press.]

Besides having all the advantages of experience, Mr. Dunnell is a particularly active and industrious member, always to be found at his post of duty, and ever zealous and untiring in his efforts to advance the interests of his constituents. This is a fact so generally acknowledged that no one will attempt to contest it, and for which even the friends of the opposition are willing to accord him fair credit. It is beyond our present purpose, and besides unnecessry, to particularize his achievements in this respect. All who pretend to be conversant with public affairs and especially with legislation that concerns our own State more immediately are familiar with Mr. Dunnell's eminently favorable record. For these reasons briefly alluded to we do not hesitate in expressing our conviction that Dunnell ought to be renominated. We believe that he is in a position to accomplish more for his constituents and to maintain the dignity and honor of our State more successfully on the floor of Congress than any new member could do. As regards his position on the salary grab bill, so called, it is at present sufficient to say that it is becoming generally understood and conceded that Mr. Dunnell, on that much mooted question, has been the subject of the grossest misepresentations, and has been singled out as an especial target for a vast amount of senseless abuse and unjust criticism. We feel assured that when the truth comes to be known, Mr. Dunell's record on that question will be adjudged by the people to be clear and satisfactory.

The St. James *Herald* recounts the services of Gen. Edgerton as Railroad Commissioner, showing that he has already brought into the State Treasury from railroads over $14,000 of taxes above the amounts acknowledged by the companies, and that the State will through his efforts recover some $82,000 more from the Winona and St. Peter railroad, and some $50,000 from the Milwaukee and St. Paul. The *Herald* concludes as follows:

We have neither time nor space to go into further details, but we think the foregoing facts sufficient to convince any reasonable man that Gen. Edgerton has done a great amount of good to the State. He has not paraded his doings to the public either in the newspapers or on the stump; but while a host of so-called reformers have been telling what ought to be done, and how they could do it, Gen. Edgerton has been faithfully and laboriously at work, discharging the duties of his office, and we think the results of his labors are all that the most zealous Reformers could expect.

The St. Paul *Press* says that during the past year real estate in Minneapolis has advanced from 25 to 50 per cent.

Financial Statement.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, }
COUNTY OF NOBLES. }

Annual Statement showing the Receipts and Expenditures of Nobles County from January 1, 1873, to February 28, 1874; and also the Liabilities and Assets at the present date, according to the Statutes made and provided:

GENERAL COUNTY REVENUE.

Received.	
From Tax Collected for 1872	$906,37
" " " for 1873	7,56
Fine from County Attorney	50,00
Advertising Fees	11,10
Interest on Redemption	1,64
Tax col. on Special County Fund	272,13
	$1148,80
Expenditures	3897,83

INTEREST FUND.

Received.	
From tax colected for 1872	$182,23
" " " " 1873	3,78
	186,01
Expenditures,	211,12

TWO MILL FUND.

Received.	
From tax collected for 1872	182,23
" " " " 1873	1 89
	184,12
Expenditures,	97,50

ROAD AND BRIDGE.

Appropriation from gen'l Co. Rev. Fund	52,50
Expenditures,	1548,36

POOR FUND.

Receipts,	00,00
Expenditures,	137,00

ORDERS ISSUED.

M. L. Miller, Commissioner's salary,	$20,07
Frank Zeiner, freight paid,	4,00
William M. Bear, canvassing Co. vote,	5.60
M. B. Soule, Counsel fees,	10,00
I. P. Durfee, salary and milage	6,60
H. D. Bookstaver, expressage	5,00
" " postage	4,50
Irwin S. Swan, salary as com. in full	6,00
T. C. Bell, salary as Co. Supt.	16,00
John H. Cunningham, expressage	2,00
Charles Bullis, sheriff's fees	8,40
John Haggard, carrying election returns	1,40
H. D. Bookstaver, reg. births and deaths	1,50
St. Paul *Press* Co., books and stationery	103,35
H. D. Bookstaver, salary for March, 1873	51,80
M. B. Soule as county attorney	25,00
" " " "	25,00
W. R Lawrence, assessing 2d ass't dist.	60,00
Henry Brayton, fuel & rent as Co. Treas.	10,25
J. W. Miller, canvassing Co. vote 1871	3,60
M. L. Miller, salary as commissio er	16,14
Charles Bullis, sheriff fees	6,84
H. D. Bookstaver, salary for March, 1873	50,00
Charles Bullis, sheriff's fees	9,50
I. P. Durfee, commissioner's salary	7,28
M. B. Soule, salary as county attorney	33,33
H. D. Bookstaver, sal. as auditor to May 31	50,00
C. C. Goodnow, salary as com. in part 1872	11,73
Charles W. Bullis, sheriff's fees	4,50
M. H. Stevens, printing	43,20
C. C. Goodnow, sal. as com. in full 1872	10,35
I. P. Durfee, salary as commissioner	3,40
H. D. Bookstaver, salary in part	12,00
O. H. Chapman, ass'ng G. Lake township	16,00
St. Paul *Press* Co. book	34,00
Jonas Parshall, carrying election returns	2,60
Charles Frisbee, assessing Hersey 1872	16,00
H. D. Bookstaver, salary as auditor	50,00
C. C. Goodnow, stationery	20,45
C. E. Goodnow, rent to Aug. 7, 1873,	37,50
R. D. Barber, lamp and oil for office	1,25
H. D. Bookstaver, expressage and lamp top	3,80
H. Brayton, treasurer's fees	12,88
J. S. Shuck, office rent and fuel	50,00
Stone & Parker office furniture	300,00
R. D. Barber, oil for lamp	50
M. B. Soule, office rent to May 5th	13,00
H. D. Humiston, oil can	75
I. P. Durfee, serving on board of audit	12,80
M. L. Miller, salary as commissioner	14,40
E. B. Paul, assessing town of Indian Lake	17,00
Charles Bullis, sheriff fees	7,60
J. W. Miller, salary as commissioner	35,50
M. B. Soule, salary as county attorney	16,67
T. C. Bell, as county superintendent	22,36
C E Goodnow, rent to Nov. 7, 1873	37 50
O A Fauskee, assessing Bigelow 1872	14 00
W W Cosper, assessing Seward and 1st assessment district	28 00
John H Cunningham, reg. births & deaths	2 00
H C Hallett, assessing Graham Lakes	16 50
Andrew Thompson, assing 1st assessment district 1872	6 00
H D Bookstaver, salary Jan. & Feb. 1873	100 00
" " fees on bord of audit	6 00
" " salary to August, 1873	38 00
" " expressage	7 60
St. Paul *Press* Company, books	304 00
" " " due on cancellation of order by bonds 1, 2, 3, Aug. 18, 1873	91 95
John H Cunningham, on board of audit	3 00
H D Bookstaver, salary for August, 1873	50 00
I C Bell, assessing village Worthington	28 00
B F Thurber, " town of Worthington	20 00
H D Bookstaver, salary	50 00
M B Soule, salary	50 00
I P Durfee, services as commissioner	9 80
J W Miller, " "	14 60
M L Miller, " "	12 60
C W W Dow, assessing Ransom 1873	16 50
H D Bookstaver, salary for Oct., 1773	50 00
C E Goodnow, office rent to Feb., 1874	37 50
C C Goodnow, postage stamps	65
H D Bookstaver, salary for Nov. 1873	50 00
" " in part for Dec.	20 00
M H Stevens, printing	40 25
C K Tiffany, balance due on order cancelled by bond No. 7, 1873	2 44
St. Paul *Press* Co., tax dup. and w press	72 00
H D Bookstaver, salary in full for Dec.	30 00
J C Goodnow, sheriff fees	11 90
Charles Bullis, sheriff fees	30 50
M B Soule, salary	50 00
H D Bookstaver, salary January 1874	55 85
" " expressage	6 00
T C Bell, salary as county supt.	80 00
W H Berger, Assessing Hersey	25 00
H D Bookstaver, salary in part for Feb.	23 05
I P Durfee, salary as commissioner	6 80
Charles Bullis, sheriff fees in case of State vs C Seek	10 50
George O Moore, justice fees "	1 95
William M Bear, " "	4 40
J A Town, juror fees "	50
C B Langdon, " "	50
S D Harrington " "	50
T D Fowble " "	50
L T Sidrly " "	50
C B Loveless " "	50
A C Robinson, witness fees "	1 00
B F Thurber " "	1 00
E Allen " "	1 00
L F McLaurin " "	1 00
Charles Bullis " "	1 00
Henry Hall " "	1 00
Casper Bloom " "	1 00
B N Carrier, justice fee, State vs H Seeker	3 25
" " " " C McMurphy	6 30
T H Childs, carrying election returns	1 40
Nason Carpenter, ass'ng Indian Lake 1873	18 00
G Anderson, repairing desk drawer	63
John Haggard, carrying election returns	1 40
A J Torrance " " in part	1 50
A Wass " " from Wilson	1 00
John P Vail " " " Seward	2 60
Thomas Wilson, assessing Dewald and 3d assessment district	20 00
Albert Haggard, assessing Fairview 1873	15 00
J G Thomas, assessing Elk and 2d assessment district	15 00
Silas W Laythe, assessing township of Worthington in 1872	20 00
E W Hesselroth, carrying election returns	3 60
J S Shuck, fuel for office	7 00
T C Bell, record book county supt.	4 00
" stationery and expressage	1 72
C E Goodnow, rent for office in full	4 44
C C Goodnow, postage stamps	3 90
E F Jackson, carrying election returns	2 85
I P Durfee, viewing road	4 00
A S Wolstencroft, team and chainman	45 50
B W " surveying roads	44 00
I P Durfee, viewing roads	8 50
W E Marten, chainman	16 00
S F Shepherd, chainman	20 00
W Wright, chainman	11 00
Daniel Shell, team and expenses	33 50
B F Thurber, road damages	100 00
S Ed Chandler, "	50 00
E J Clark, "	25 00
Ed Carlton, axe man	4 00
I P Durfee, viewing road	3 00
William Brown, additional work on Jack Creek bridge	10 00
I P Durfee, viewing road	7 50
G Anderson, building bridge on Jack Creek per contract	360 00
B W Wolstencroft, surveying Co. road	16 00
I N Sater, Lumber for bridges	45 06
D Rohrer, lumber for bridges	15 59
St. Paul Lumber Co., lumber for bridges	59 04
E R Humiston, building bridges on La-Verne road as per contract	591 00
C Stout chainman,	2 00
I P Durfee, team and axe-man	8 75
" "	1 00
A S Wolstencroft, chainman	4 00
Daniel Shell, team for surveyors	5 00
I N Sater, Lumber for stakes	60
S F Shepherd, chainman	2 00
O A Coudee, lumber for bridge on Graham Lakes road	42 92
M L Miller, viewing road	7 50
I P Durfee, viewing roads	4 50

COUNTY POOR FUND.

I P Durfee, relief of Emma Dame	5 00
Thomas Childs, boarding poor (J Poots)	10 00
" " " " "	62 00
R D Barber, attending Emma Dame's children	35 00
A P Lyon, relief	5 00
Bennett Sherwood, relief	5 00
Joseph Chadwick, relief	5 00
I N Walden, relief	5 00
D Snyder, relief	5 00

COUNTY INTEREST ACCOUNT.

St. Paul *Press* Co., interest on orders cancelled	$177 91
" " " " " "	18 37
Stone & Parker " " " canceled	14 41
C K Tiffany, " "	43
	211 12

TWO MILL FUND.

George W Gage, Minnesota *Teacher*	7 50
Gen County Revenue, for a like amount paid from general county revenue	90 00
	97 50

WHOLE AMOUNT OF ORDERS ISSUED.

General fund	$3897 83
Road and bridge fund	1549 36
County poor	137 00
County interest	211 12
Two mill	97 50
	5940 61

LIABILITIES AND ASSETS.

LIABILITIES.

General County Revenue:	
Floating debt in county orders	557 24
Bonded indebtedness	2200 00
	2757 24
INTEREST FUND.	
Floating debt in county orders	41 12
ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND.	
Floating debt in county orders	1495 86
POOR FUND.	
Floating debt in county orders	137 00
	$4431 22

ASSETS.

Delinquent taxes of 1872	304 68
Taxes of 1873 now due:	
General county revenue	2058 64
Interest	1029 16
Two mill fund	503 89
Road and bridge fund	332 22
Poor fund	255 49
	$4484 08
Furniture in county office	300 00
Books, blanks &c.	2500 00

We certify the above to be a true statement of the Financial Condition of Nobles County, Minnesota on the first day of March, A. D. 1874.

I. P. DURFEE, Ch'n Board of Com.

Attest.

Wm. M. Bear, Auditor.

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Molasses ⅌ gallon,	70
Molasses Syrup "	$1 20

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