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WORTHINGTON HOTEL.
The Largest and Best-Appointed Hotel in Southwestern Minnesota.
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☞Rates to farmers and teamsters as low as any house in town. Large barn accommodations. Stage office for the different stage lines.
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MISCELLANEOUS.

DENTISTRY.
DENTAL ROOMS of E. BEDFORD are on 10th Street, opposite public square, and will be open the last week in each month. Work insured five years. [27y

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J. H. JOHNSON, Dealer in Saddlery Hardware, Trunks, Valises, etc. Harness always on hand, and made to order. Repairing neatly done. Shop on Ninth Street, Worthington, Minn. 27 1y.

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The patronage of the public solicited.

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All letters addressed to Miller, Humiston & Company, Worthington, Nobles county, Minnesota, will be promptly answered, and full information given concerning the National Colony.

Colony Maps for sale at the ADVANCE Office.

LOCAL.

WORTHINGTON, MINN., AUGUST 15, 1874.

CHURCH DIRECTORY.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL.—Rev. J. W. Lewis, pastor. Services every Sabbath, morning at 10:30; Sabbath School at 2:30 P. M.; "Worthington Praying Band," Sabbath evening at 7 o'clock. Pray r meeting Thursday evening at 7 o'clock.

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. Prayer meeting Thursday evening. Bible Class every Monday evening at 8 o'clock at the Church. Rev. C. C. Foote, pastor.

Ladies' Union Prayer Meeting every Tuesday afternoon at 3½ o'clock.

TESTAMENTS FOR SABBATH SCHOOLS.

The Nobles County Bible Society will furnish Testaments to Sabbath Schools throughout the county, on application of Superintendents.

A. P. MILLER, Secretary.

The Ladies' Prayer Meeting will be held on next Tuesday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. J. C. Clarke.

Mr. Stough, of the Okabena House, offers the hotel for sale or rent. He will give possession by September 1st if desired. The ill health of his wife compels him to change business.

We invite attention to the advertisement of the County Commissioners offering $25 for the conviction of any one who may illegally burn the prairie.—Now let us have an association to aid the Commissioners in making the apprehension and conviction sure.

Several car loads of fruit passed through here a few days since from California.

The Jackson *Republic* laments the absence of anything fresh and green to eat. Here, on the railroad, we are having vegetables and fruits of nearly all kinds.

The first load of new wheat was sent to town on Monday last from the Ocheeda farm of Miller, Humiston & Co. New wheat is now arriving in considerable quantity from Rock county.

We acknowledge the receipt of another bucket of ice-cream and some fine California pears from S. A. Davis.—Pears and ice-cream are almost as good as peaches and cream.

Will Langdon treated the town a few evenings since to a cornet solo played from somewhere out on the lake. Distance lent enchantment to the sound, and we hope Will will do so again.

H. D. Humiston has a single Mammoth Squash vine in his lot which covers an area of about 12 by 20 feet.—There are three squashes on this vine which are growing at a prodigious rate. One of them has grown about 15 to 18 inches in length in two weeks. During the past few days it has increased in diameter at the rate of two inches a day by actual measurement.

We have received the first number of the *Educational News*, published monthly by Hadley Brothers, Chicago, and Geo. M. Gage, St. Paul, at 75 cents a year. It is issued in quarto form, is neatly printed and illustrated, and contains much matter of interest to educators.

Subscribers to the ADVANCE should remember that since the first of July all newspapers sent to actual subscribers go free of postage within the county. In cases where postage has been collected for the current quarter, it will be refunded.

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT.

At the School Meeting held on Wednesday night last, the independent district was carried, there being but four votes in the negative. An election of a School Board is next in order, and by the fall term Worthington will have laid the foundation of a first class public school. Whatever difference of opinion there may be upon other matters, there should be but one as to our schools. They should be made first class, and this can only be done upon the independent district plan.

THE GRAIN YIELD.

We are gratified to learn that the grain yield is turning out better than expected. Captain Miner, of the Ocheeda Farm of Miller, Humiston & Co., has been threshing during the past week and the yield is remarkable for a grasshopper year. On 13½ acres of oats the yield was 658 bushels, or nearly 49 bushels to the acre. On 28 acres of Hoosac wheat, the yield was 600 bushels or about 21½ bushels to the acre.—The Hoosac weighs 61 pounds to the bushel, and the Osaka 63.

MINOR ARRIVALS.

A boy settler arrived recently at the residence of Mr. Dawley, who lives a few miles southeast of Bigelow. As Mr. D. lives just across the Iowa line, we suppose this settler "won't count" for Bigelow as against Hersey.

Another settler arrived on Thursday night at the residence of Major Thurber north of town. Boy—9 lbs—florid complexion—Democrat.

Correspondents will please remember the rule to write on one side of the paper only. The reasons for this requirment are "too numerous to mention." (Besides we can't use the paper for wrappers when it is written on both sides.)

PERSONALS.

Miss Chesebro, of Syracuse, N. Y., is spending a few weeks in the Colony, the guest of Mrs. C. B. Loveless.

L. D. Horton, of New Milford, Illinois, has been on a visit to his son in Seward township. He expresses himself as well pleased with the country.

The St. Paul *Press*, speaking of the State Fair, says:

Prof. R. F. Humiston, of Worthington, has consented to deliver the address, and judging from the gentleman's reputation it will be a valuable document to the farmers in every section of the State of Minnesota.

MINNESOTA FLOUR.

We have frequently alluded to the fact that the new process flour manufactured in Minnesota is leading the markets of the country, and that flouring mills are multiplying rapidly throughout the State. The Minneapolis *Tribune* in a recent issue says:

The flour manufactured from Minnesota spring wheat by the new process, peculiar to our manufacturers, stands at the head of the market, commanding from one to two dollars more per barrel in New York than any other flour. Of course this fact is a very great inducement for millers to go into the business here, and consequently our capacity for manufacturing has been nearly doubled within a year.

One of the best of these new process mills is located right here in Worthington. A gentleman who recently arrived here from New York says that he conversed with the flour dealers in New York who have been selling the best brands from our Okabena Mills, and they informed him that no better flour was ever sold in the city. Their only difficulty as to this brand of flour was that they could not get enough of it.—So the Sioux City flour merchants pronounce the Okabena brand the best ever seen in Sioux City.

GRAHAM BREAD.

We invite attention to a very sensible letter from a lady of Elk township. If the letter does not have the desired effect of securing a ration of "Graham" among the supplies distributed, we hope it will call general attention to the subject of eating more Graham bread, the sweetest, most wholsome and altogether the best bread that can be eaten.

BURNING HAY.

Our correspondent from Lorain gives his experience in burning hay. He has burned "slew" hay almost exclusively for over a year, and finds it a very easy way of economizing. Let others do likewise and in a few years they will be like the Illinois and Iowa prairie farmers, rich enough to buy fuel and also to buy out any ordinary eastern farmer. Some don't like to "come to it," while others don't like the "name" of burning hay. Just as though hay isn't as respectable as wood or coal, and cleaner than the latter. Both wood and hay grow out of the same good green earth, and are given by the same bountiful Hand. The prairies are now waving with minature forests. Let every man who feels delicate about burning hay, imagine that each stalk of grass is a small tree, and then go in with a mower and lay up his winter wood."

Generius I. Aal, living near Marshall, had two horses stolen recently. The *Prairie Schooner* describes the horses as follows: "One, a small five year old sorrel mare, with white spot in the forehead, and with letter "N" branded on one shoulder. The other is a two year old bay colt, stallion, of common size, mane and tail clipped some time ago,—no other marks." A liberal reward is offered for the delivery to the owner of one or both of these animals, or for information that will lead to their recovery. Mr. Aal is a poor man and can ill afford to lose his property.

An exchange says that "a lady who cultivates a rose in her apartments, will find by planting an onion in the same pot, the fragrance of the rose will be increased a hundred per cent.—Why this is so, is more than we can say, but it is certainly a fact."

A car-shoe has been invented by L. B. Stilson, the design of which is to hold a train to the track in case of a displaced or broken rail. A test was made recently near Minneapolis which gave the greatest satisfaction. A number of railroad men witnessed the test and say that the shoe will do all that is claimed for it.

WANTED—TO TRADE,

One yoke of excellent steers, five years old, well broke, for a good horse. Enquire of T. M. Gruelle, ADVANCE office, or W. M. Gray, Ransom.

Township maps for sale at the ADVANCE office.

"WESTWARD HO!"

Trip to Sioux Falls—Beautiful Farms—Wheat—Peat—Rock County—Valley Springs—Fine Views—Sioux Falls—Magnificent Wheat Country—Tributary to Worthington.

We announced last week the arrival of Mr. M. W. Carlisle, from Chillicothe, Ohio, who is here looking with reference to engaging in the Milling business. Mr. C. wishing to see something of the wheat region tributary to Worthington, a trip to Sioux Falls was proposed and carried unanimously.—Accordingly a party consisting of Mr. Carlisle, Mr. C. Z. Sutton, Mr. Chas. Dunning and the editor of the ADVANCE, set out on Monday with a good team and a carriage from Shell's.—The weather was fine, the roads in good condition, the country beautiful with the harvest, and the trip was both pleasant and profitable.

For five or six miles west of town we saw beautiful fields of wheat in the shock. From this on to the county line, the ravages of the grasshoppers were more apparent than on any part of the route to Sioux Falls. In places the corn was eaten down almost to the ground, and in others fields were stripped of blades.

At the Kanaranzi we noticed a quantity of peat drying, and at the farm houses beyond we saw the farmers were using peat. A farmer near the county line informed us that the farmers in that neighborhood were taking out peat for their winter fuel. We made inquiry at Luverne and learned that a great many farmers in Rock county expect to burn peat the coming winter. So the peat agitation has had a good effect and farmers are turning these surface coal mines to account.

Within six or eight miles of Luverne we again struck the region of fair crops and saw on either side of the road some beautiful farms, which showed that they had been thoroughly cultivated. We came in full view of the Rock river valley above and below Luverne, just before night fall and had the finest view on the trip with the exception of the view at the Big Sioux.—The Luverne people had gotten up one of their finest sunsets for the occasion, and as we descended into the valley the sky seemed to be vieing with the earth in an elaborate effort to draw out all the admiration in our party.

At Luverne we met a number of acquaintances and learned that the wheat crop is fair, better, in fact, than expected. Farmers were busy threshing and the average yield, it was thought, would be fifteen bushels. The grasshopper did not injure Rock county seriously, and we are informed that probably no one would be compelled to ask for relief. We judge that Rock county is all that has been claimed for it as a wheat county. We saw no lakes nor sloughs there, and consequently less grass land than in this county, but everywhere we saw magnificent reaches of wheat land. While at Luverne we called on Mr. Jenkins, of the *Herald*, Mr. Hadley, Judge Crosby and others, and we regret that we had not time to accept the Judge's invitation to take a ride out to the "Rock." We hope before long to make another visit and take in this elevation, which, if we are correctly informed, is an out crop of the Old Red Sandstone, which rises to a considerable height above the river, and forms a rocky wall along the bluff for some distance. The rocks are visible from the road five or six miles this side of Luverne. We found a good hotel and several good business houses in Luverne, and the promise of a thriving county-seat.

Beyond Luverne there are many beautiful farms and we saw a great deal of wheat in the shock. In some places we noticed that all the heads had been eaten off on some of the shocks, and on inquiry learned that the gophers had eaten the wheat after it had been shocked.

Soon after entering Dakota we reached Valley Springs. Here we were well received by Mr. Wood, the originator of the Valley Spring Settlement, and a thoroughly intelligent and wide-awake gentleman who gave up the management of a New York railroad for the peaceful pursuit of agriculture under the invigorating skies of Dakota. The place takes its name from several springs of clear cold water which flow from the bank of Beaver Creek. The valley here is beautiful and from the height on which Mr. Wood lives some forty farms can be counted. On our return we stopped over night with Mr. Stone, also a New Yorker, at Valley Springs, and had a capital breakfast of prarie chickens which our party had shot the day before. Of course it is unnecessary to explain to any one acquainted with the persons comprising the party that these chickens were killed in Dakota, where the law don't apply. Nobody would suspect any one of our party of shooting a prairie chicken, contrary to the law notwithstanding, except in self-defense.

The view from the hill this side of Sioux River and the one from the other side just after reaching the top of the bluff, are the finest views we have seen in the Northwest. As we neared Sioux Falls we saw a number of farms which already seemed to have had years of cultivation.

Sioux Falls has a fine location on the Sioux River and is one of the brightest and sprightliest towns on the frontier. Some of the store-rooms are large and fitted up in city style and the hotel is a very neat and well-kept house. Of course we could not avoid comparison, and we estimated that the buildings in Sioux Falls, if sold at public auction, would sell for about one-half as much as the buildings in Worthington. We saw no fences nor trees planted on the streets, nor improvements of that kind. We visited the falls which are certainly worth visiting as a great natural wonder. The Falls are formed by an upheaval or out-crop of the same Old Red Sandstone, and the rocks are in sections, as though dressed and built up by hand. There are three or four falls, the whole distance being, we believe, about 110 feet. At this season of the year, there is very little water but in the Spring the volume must be considerable. We have no doubt that in time these falls will be utilized and will furnish considerable power for manufacturing, but it will require a large outlay of money to make them available. We called at the *Pantagraph* office, on our way to the Falls, and found Ed. Dillabough, formerly of the ADVANCE, in charge. We regret that we had not time to call and see the *Independent*, and we promise to do better next time.

We returned more than ever impress- with the beauty and fertility of the magnificent country tributary to Worthington. With a good pike from here to Sioux Falls, Worthington in a few years would be another Red Wing as a wheat market. As a county we should prefer our own to either Rock or Minnehaha county, Dakota, because it has the elements for a more varied agriculture. We have an abundance of water and grass land, which they have not, and hence we must excel in stock, while three-fourths of our county is as well adapted to wheat as the counties named.

We regret that we have not space to give the incidents of the trip, but that would take a volume. The world (the N. Y. *World*,) would not contain the books which might be written giving the jokes, the incidents and the experiences of the trip. We can only say to others, when they want for a few days to get away from business, make up a party of from four to six and "go west."

CORRESPONDENCE.

FROM SEWARD.

SEWARD, August 11, 1872.

EDITOR ADVANCE: Isaiah Williams has harvested about thirty acres of grain, and a few others have harvested from ten acres downward, averaging all the way from four to twelve bushels per acre. This of course is in consequence of the grasshopper raids. For this little crop it was hard to get hands as about all were away harvesting in other sections. So you see Seward men are trying to "help themselves." Hay is going up fast. Provisions down to the bottom shelf, but our spirits are as good as ever. With a little good fortune and our own muscle, Seward will yet become the most noted township for fine farms of any in the State. You may call this boasting, but time will tell.

Little plowing done for want of rain. A. T.

FROM LORAIN.

LORAIN TOWNSHIP, Aug. 10, '74.

EDITOR ADVANCE: I wish to encourage people throughout this county, to burn hay, for something of the kind must be done. I am aware that many do burn it, but there are many who think they would rather leave than be compelled to burn hay.

The reason for this is they do not understand *how* to burn it. I will give you my experience. Perhaps some may profit by it. "Drowning men will catch at straws." We have something much stronger and better to cling to, in hay, as a substitute for coal and wood, and which will bear us up on the waves and land us safely through this dark hour. "The darkest hour is just before day," so let us hope for a dawning into a brighter future.

My experience is about as follows: I began about one year ago. Have a coal stove, which is best suited to burning hay. Fed the stove in front with loose bundles. Kept stirring and punching. Had a "terrible time of it." The consequence was the stove was covered with ashes; victuals were too highly seasoned sometimes. After experimenting a while began to make improvements and soon found it a complete success. Will now tell you how we managed it. At present we are just as well satisfied as though we had soft wood: Take the long hay, a good handful, (not upland,) twist it tight, by beginning in the center and twisting and joining together till ends meet; then fasten. Twelve of these bundles will cook a meal nicely; also bake beautiful brown bread. Keep the fire place clean. Do not stir it much. Keep the flues clear in front. The hay will melt down into a hot coal. Take off a stove cover when you feed. One should have a building for the purpose in winter.—Have a load or two always on hand; make the bundles there. By so doing you will have a clean house and a peaceful home. D. F.

FROM RANSOM.

RANSOM, Aug. 13, '74.

EDITOR ADVANCE: The harvest has passed and our people have commenced plowing for next year's crops. We have been favored with one or two soaking rains lately which put the ground in good condition for plowing. All in this neighborhood are satisfied with the result of this year's labor, and are thankful that they have been permitted to gather enough grain to keep the "wolf" from their doors until such time as the God of the Universe shall bless their labors with a bountiful harvest. Though their losses by the hopper invasions are keenly felt, they raise universal cry of "Never Despair!" and with brave hearts and eager hands will battle on until success crowns their efforts. Even the women (bless 'em!) say they will content themselves with last year's fashions, cook with hay fires and wear brogans before they will surrender their prairie homes to the despoilers of our crops! As a proof of their integrity to the interests of this County, the farmers of this Township will put a much greater breadth of land in grain next spring than ever before.

The Ransom Sunday School is now held alternately at the residences of H. R. Gray, Hiram Toms and Thomas Shepherd, so as best to accomodate those attending.

Miss Alice Ford, of Iowa City, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Toms. Miss F. is a teacher and has sought the invigorating atmosphere of the National Colony to spend vacation. Of course she likes it. MET.

FROM ELK.

ELK TOWNSHIP, August 11, 1874.

ED. ADVANCE: Very much has been said concerning the quantity of supplies which will probably be needed by the destitute in the southwest, but it seems to me the quality should be taken into consideration. Of course luxuries will be out of the question, but is the common grade of white flour and fat pork the most judicious food for people who will be for one whole year forced to live almost entirely upon "bread alone?" I am not a vegetarian; I believe with Dr. Holland in the inspiration of juicy beefsteak and good coffee, and I have a sentimental fondness for snowy buiscuit and golden loaves, but, a fact acknowledged by all intelligent persons now, Graham contains more nutriment than the bolted flour, and if people must live almost entirely upon bread, why not furnish that which does the most good for the least money? Our physicians will agree that much of the sickness in this locality last year was owing to a diet of bread and pork and the lack of vegetables and fruit. There are many who might think themselves abused if only furnished unbolted flour, but I am sure that when they have once tried it in any of the various ways in which it may be made so delicious, they would never more wish to be without this most neccessary article of food. Some, who have already learned its value, grind the wheat themselves, in a coffee-mill. This operation is very slow and laborious, although a neighbor of mine prepared some the other afternoon for tea and baked her "gems," and they *were* gems indeed, the very lightest and sweetest I have ever tasted.

Instead of pork I would furnish dried apples, if only enough that each family might have sauce once a week. Nearly everybody on the prairie owns a cow, and with plenty of milk and butter, a little sauce, Graham bread, gems, or pudding, and this fine invigorating air, there will be no danger of troublesome diseases, and with another spring each hand may be strong and each heart brave, to begin a new year's work. Now, I havn't any idea, Mr. Editor, that you or I can re-organize the whole system of alms-giving, but I do think it would be expedient for somebody to look into the matter, and have just a faint hope that this little seed may lodge *somewhere* in good ground.

CICELY.

OBITUARY.

DIED.—At Worthington, on Friday morning, August 7, 1874, of brain disease, SUSIE GERTRUDE, infant daughter of W. R. and LILLIE L. BENNETT, aged 18 months.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

MOORE & SMITH'S Ice-Cream has now arrived at perfection. Go there and partake.

Ice-Cream and Confectionery and Frigid Soda Water at MOORE & SMITH'S.

A splendid lot of Glycerine Soap at MOORE & SMITH'S.

MOORE & SMITH now have on hand the largest stock of Drugs, Paints and Medicines ever brought into Nobles County.

A new $500 PIANO for $300. Warranted six years. CHAS. F. HUMISTON. [38

The Smith AMERICAN ORGANS for sale
38] by CHAS. F. HUMISTON.

WORTHINGTON MARKETS.

WHEAT	75c @ 80
FLOUR ℔ bbl.	5,00 @ 8,00
CORN ℔ bushel	85 @ 90
OATS "	45 @ 50
HAY ℔ ton	2,50 @ 3,00
BEANS, WHITE, ℔ bush.	3,00
BUTTER	18
EGGS ℔ doz.	15
GROCERIES—COFFEE 30c@45c TEA	50 @ 1,00
SUGAR, (Coffee A) 12 @ 13c; Ex. C—	12 @ 13
Brown 10 @ 11c; SYRUP 65 @ 1,00; RICE	12½
SALT ℔ bbl.	3,50
PROVISIONS—PORK (mess) ℔ bbl,	24,00@28,00
HAMS 18c; SHOULDERS	10 @ 11
BACON 16c; LARD 16@17c; D. APL'S	12 @15
PEACHES	12 @ 15
COAL ℔ ton	6,50 @ 8,00
LUMBER—Common ℔ m.	16,00@18,00
FINISHING	35,00@40,00

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

HOTEL FOR SALE OR RENT.

The Okabena House located on Ninth Street, in Worthington, is offered for sale or rent. Possession will be given by September 1st if desired. The house has a good run of patronage, and good stabling for teams. Am compelled to change business on account of the ill-health of my wife. For particulars address,
[36tf] C. P. STOUGH.

BURNING THE PRAIRIE.

$25 REWARD.

THE Commissioners of Nobles County will pay TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS REWARD for such information as will lead to the apprehension and conviction of any person or persons who may wilfully or carelessly, by any means, set fire to the grass on the prairie within the county during this Autumn, and allowing the same to run beyond his own premises contrary to the statutes of Minnesota. By order of Commissioners,
WM. M. BEAR,
August 15, 1874.—49-3m. Auditor.

"WE And Our Neighbors"

Is the latest and raciest work by

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Author of "Uncle Tom's Cabin," "The Minister's Wooing," "My Wife and I,"

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Mrs. Stowe is now in the prime of that genius which wrote "Uncle Tom," ripened by years of study and observation. Her novels are immensely popular, "Uncle Tom's Cabin" alone out-selling by hundreds of thousands any edition of any original work ever published—*save the Bible.*—Her book two years ago, "My Wife and I," outsold every contemporary. Such a pure and ennobling story as "We and Our Neighbors" should be read in every home. This attractive Serial is just beginning *exclusively* in the

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Notice, U. S. Land Office, Worthington, Minn., August 1, 1874.

Complaint having been entered at this office by Charles Dana against William Coss for abandoning Homestead Entry No. 9159, dated July 22d, 1873, upon the sw¼ section 20, township 103, 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 14th day of November, 1874, at 10 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment.

MONS GRINAGER, Register.
48] J. B. WAKEFIELD, Receiver.

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PROBATE NOTICE.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, } ss.
COUNTY OF NOBLES, }

In Probate Court.

In the matter of the estate of Oliver Raitt, deceased. On reading and filing the Petition of Wm. S. Stockdale, setting forth the amount of personal estate that has come to his hands, and the disposition thereof; the amount of debts outstanding against said deceased, and a description of all the real estate in which said deceased died seized, and the condition and value of the respective portions thereof; and praying that license be to him granted to sell Lots 10 and 11 of Block 12 of the village of Worthington of said county and State. And it appearing, by said Petition, that there is not sufficient personal estate in the hands of said Wm. S. Stockdale to pay said debts, and that it is necessary in order to pay the same, to sell all of said real estate.

It is therefore ordered that all persons interested in said estate, appear before the Judge of this Court on the 27th day of September, A. D. 1874, at 2 o'clock p. m., at the Probate office in Worthington in said County, then and there to show cause (if any there be) why license should not be granted to said Wm. S. Stockdale to sell said real estate according to the prayer of said petition.

And it is further ordered, That a copy of this order shall be published for four successive weeks prior to said day of hearing, the last of which publications shall be at least fourteen days before said day of hearing, in the Western *Advance*, a weekly newspaper printed and published at Worthington in said county, and personally served on all persons interested in said estate, residing in said county, at least fourteen days before said day of hearing.

By the Court.
J. CRAFT, Judge of Probate.
Dated this 28th day of July, 1874.—47 7w.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

BY virtue of an Execution, issued out of the District Court, for the Sixth Judicial District in and for the County of Nobles and State of Minnesota, upon a judgment issued and docketed in said Court on the third day of March, A. D. 1874, in a certain action wherein Isaac N. Salter is Plaintiff, and C. C. Goodnow, Defendant, in favor of said Plaintiff, and against said Defendant, for the sum of Seven Hundred and Eighteen Dollars and Two Cents, ($718 02,) I have on the ninth day of July, A. D. 1874, levied upon all the right, title and interest of the said Defendant, C. C. Goodnow, to the following described real estate, to-wit: 24 feet front on Tenth Street, commencing 78 feet from the corner of said Tenth Street and Third Avenue; thence on a line parallel with said Third Avenue 48 feet to an established alley; thence along said alley 24 feet; thence on a line parallel with Third Avenue to said Tenth Street; thence on a line with said Tenth Street to the place of beginning, being a part of lots 8 and 9 in Block 8 in the village of Worthington, County of Nobles, and State of Minnesota, being a piece of land 24 by 48 feet, and the building thereon known as the Post Office Building, and will sell the same, or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy said execution and costs, at the office of the County Auditor, in the village of Worthington, in the County and State aforesaid, *On Saturday the 29th day of August, A. D.*, 1874, at 2 o'clock p. m., of that day.

Dated July 9th, A. D. 1874.

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