## County Commissioners.

[Official Publication.]

January 14, 1884.

Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present: E. S. Neal, chairman; Gust W. Johnson and Eber H. Bly, commissioners.

Minutes of the last meeting read and approved.

The following bills were read and approved.

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| J. H. Marshall, grand juror fees November term of court, general fund | $ 20 10 |
| John Yeagan, petit juror fees November term of court, general fund | 20 10 |
| J. H. Marshall, grand and petit juror May term of court, general fund | 16 20 |
| William Woods, witness May term of court, general fund | 7 10 |
| Adam Mann, petit juror May term of court, general fund | 4 10 |
| J. H. Marshall, two days registration judge of election, Nov. 1882, gen. fund | 4 00 |
| M. P. Slattery, coal, general fund | 105 00 |
| Bismarck Tribune, books and printing, general fund | 86 85 |
| Bismarck Lumber Co., glass, jail and court house, general fund | 7 00 |
| Fred N. Downs, judge of school elections general fund | 2 00 |
| K. P. Poulsen, rope, Painted Woods bridge, road and bridge fund | 3 60 |
| W. D. Smith, undertaking, case Kennedy at jail, general fund | 30 00 |
| James Foster, petit juror November term of court, general fund | 4 10 |
| J. H. Carpenter, petit juror November term of court, general fund | 4 10 |
| E. L. Strauss, grand juror November term of court, general fund | 20 10 |
| Thomas W. Causby, petit juror November term of court, general fund | 16 10 |
| W. A. Bentley, witness fees November term of court, general fund | 4 40 |
| David Stewart, witness fees November term of court, general fund | 3 30 |
| John P. Hoagland, lumber and labor, court house repairs, general fund | 12 79 |
| John P. Hoagland, lumber, bridge at Sterling, bridge fund | 460 26 |
| John Waldron, assigned to W. B. Bell, turnkey and allowance April 1883. general fund | 60 00 |
| John Waldron, assigned to W. B. Bell, turnkey and allowance June 1883, general fund | 60 00 |
| John Waldron, assigned to W. B. Bell, turnkey and allowance May, 1883, general fund | 60 75 |
| John Waldron, assigned to W. B. Bell, turnkey and allowance August, 1883, general fund | 60 75 |
| Anna Reynolds, for care Grace Stevens and child, whole bill $67 33, approved to amount of (general fund) | 24 00 |
| Michael Mayork, medicine, etc., Michael Dewitt, $20 50 not allowed | |
| Bragg, Smith & Co., bbl oil, jail and court house, general fund | 15 30 |
| T. J. Hines, iron work for bridge, bridge fund | 7 70 |
| W. O. Ward, work on road, road fund | 190 00 |
| Mrs. J. I. Mattice, for care of Crick, needy poor, general fund | 70 00 |
| Alexander McKenzie, sheriff, in case of arrest of James O'Connor, general fund | 125 00 |
| W. S. Moorhouse, stove lining, etc., general fund | 8 88 |
| Wm. Woods, horse hire deputy assessor, general fund | 141 00 |
| Alexander McKenzie, arrest of Staples and Shannon, general fund | 160 70 |
| G. F. Gowen, labor on bridge, bridge fund | 50 00 |

Board adjourned to meet at 10 a. m., January 15, A. D. 1884.

Attest: E. M. FULLER, County Clerk.

January 15, 1884.

Board met pursuant to adjournment. Present, Gust. W. Johnson and Eber H. Bly, commissioners. Board adjourned to meet at 2:30 p. m, January 15, 1884, without transacting any business.

Attest: E. M. FULLER, County Clerk.

January 15, 1884, 2:30 p. m.

Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present: E. S. Neal, chairman; Gust W, Johnson and Eber H. Bly, commissioners.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The following bills were read and approved:

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| O. H. Beal, hardware, bridge fund | $ 58 90 |
| O. H. Beal, hardware, general fund | 134 60 |
| Thomas Hawley, care Cornelus Holmes, needy poor | 45 00 |
| Amos Robidou, rent of shack, etc., Chick family, needy poor | 9 00 |

On motion of Commissioner Bly the sheriff of Burleigh county was requested to furnish the County commissioners with a list of men employed at the county jail and salary of each. Motion carried.

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| Malloy & Stoyell, livery, county commissioners, general fund | 20 00 |

Report of Joseph Hare for the quarter ending September 30, 1883, read and approved.

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| E. S. Neal, deputy sheriff Justice Hare's court, general fund | $ 29 25 |
| L. N. Griffin, deputy sheriff Justice Hare's court, general fund | 27 00 |
| L. N. Griffin, deputy sheriff Justice Hare's court, general fund | 45 95 |
| Joseph Harper, witness fees, Justice Hare court, general fund | 1 10 |
| Maggie Steele, witness fees, Justice Hare court, general fund | 1 10 |
| Joseph Harper, witness fees, Justice Hare court, general fund | 1 10 |
| John Hagerty, witness fees, Justice Hare court, general fund | 1 10 |
| Frank Brown, witness fees, Justice Hare court, general fund | 1 10 |
| Uriah Branch, witness fees, Justice Hare court, general fund | 1 10 |
| Leroy Bowen, witness fees, Justice Hare court, general fund | 1 10 |
| John Lee, witness fees, Justice Hare court general fund | 1 10 |
| W. S. Buckner, witness fees Joseph Hare court, general fund | 1 10 |
| William Pennell, witness fees Joseph Hare court, general fund | 1 10 |
| L. N. Griffin, witness fees Joseph Hare court, general fund | 1 10 |
| Benjamin Jewell, witness fees Joseph Hare court, general fund | 1 10 |
| George Wagner, witness fees Joseph Hare court, general fund | 1 10 |
| William Eads, witness fees Joseph Hare court, general fund | 23 80 |
| C. F. Hinsdale, witness fees Joseph Hare court, general fund | 1 10 |
| Joseph Harper, witness fees Joseph Hare court, general fund | 1 10 |
| William Watson, witness fees Joseph Hare court, general fund | 1 10 |
| William Cooper, witness fees Joseph Hare court, general fund | 1 10 |
| Joseph Hare, justice of peace, quarter ending Sept. 20, 1883, general fund | 109 80 |

Report of Joseph Hare, justice of the peace, for quarter ending Dec. 31, 1883, read and approved.

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| Joseph Hare, justice of the peace, quarter ending Dec. 31, 1883, general fund | $113 75 |
| E. S. Neal, deputy sheriff Justice Hare court, general fund | 14 50 |
| Frank Corts, witness Justice Hare court, general fund | 1 10 |
| Frank Green, witness Justice Hare court, general fund | 1 10 |
| Simon Graham, witness Justice Hare court, general fund | 1 10 |
| A. Baker, witness Justice Hare court, general fund | 1 10 |
| Charles Louis, witness Justice Hare court, general fund | 1 10 |
| George Walker, witness Justice Hare court, general fund | 1 10 |
| James W. Foley, witness Justice Hare court, general fund | 1 10 |
| John Satterlund, witness Justice Hare court, general fund | 9 00 |
| J. M. Carnahan, witness Justice Hare court, general fund | 1 10 |
| Charles E. Merrill, witness Justice Hare court, general fund | 1 10 |
| Thomas F. Woods, salary and allowance jailer, April, May, June and July, 1883, general fund | 336 25 |
| A. Northup, labor on road, road fund | 22 50 |
| John Jackman, labor on road, road fund | 230 00 |
| P. P. Johnson, labor on road, road fund | 342 33 |
| Quinlan & Halloran, board of paupers, general fund | 432 59 |
| John Yegan, assessor, 30 days, general fund | 90 00 |
| S. W. Marshall, services as nurse Cornelius Holmes, needy poor, general fund | 117 00 |
| J. W. Proctor, care Thomas Arnold, needy poor, general fund | 25 00 |

A memorial addressed to the senate and house of representatives requesting the appointment of two associate justices for the Third judicial district for Dakota territory, was presented, read and adopted, and was duly signed by the board of county commissioners and attested to by the county clerk under seal, and ordered forwarded to Washington, D. C.

A communication from George L. Ordway, auditor of the territory, requesting new names to be furnished for the school townships of "Sterling" and "Lincoln," those names having been adopted by other school townships in the territory, was read, and on motion, the school township of Sterling was changed to "Ballborough," and that of Lincoln to "Foster," and adopted.

On motion, George P. Flannery was appointed legal adviser for the county for the year 1884, with salary at $600.

On motion, H. S. Hersey was appointed physicians of jail and needy poor, with salary at $600.

On motion, board adjourned to meet at 10 a. m., January 16, 1884.

Attest: E. M. FULLER, County Clerk.

January 16th, A. D. 1884, 10 a. m.

Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present: E. S. Neal, chairman; Gust. W. Johnson and Eber H. Bly, commissioners.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The following bills were read and approved.

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| Robert McNider & Co., groceries, etc., bridge fund | $123 49 |
| Robert McNider & Co., groceries, etc., needy poor, general fund | 74 79 |
| Robert McNider, groceries, etc., needy poor, general fund | 45 36 |
| John Whelan, merchandise, general fund | 22 15 |
| Alexander McKenzie, sheriff, Dan Young, escaped prisoner, general fund | 35 00 |
| Mrs. Seger, boarding Dickson, needy poor, general fund | 24 00 |
| John A. McLean, petit juror fees November term, 1883, general fund | 20 10 |
| John Quinlan, 12 days county commissioner, January, 1883, general fund | 36 00 |

D. O. Preston, bill for blankets burned during prevalence of smallpox, April, 1882, to amount of ten dollars ($10) not allowed.

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| George E. Reed, witness fees November term of court, 1883, general fund | $4.40 |

It appearing to the satisfaction of the board that by an error of the assessor John H. Richards' personal property valuation is $3,000 more than it should be, it is ordered that $3,000 be abated from his personal property valuation, and that the treasurer be notified of such abatement and correct his taxes accordingly.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the board that by an error of the assessor H. R. Porter's personal property valuation is $6,300 more than it should be, it is ordered that $6,300 be abated from his personal property valuation, and that the treasurer be notified of such abatement and correct his taxes accordingly.

Board adjourned to meet at 10 o'clock a. m. January 17, 1884.

Attest: E. M. FULLER, County Clerk.

January 17, A. D. 1884, 10 A. M.

Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present, E. S. Neal, chairman, and Gust. W. Johnson and Eber H. Bly, commissioners.

Proceedings of last meeting read and approved.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the board that by an error of the assessor Fisher and Porter's personal property valuation is $6,200 more than it should be, it is ordered that $6,200 be abated from their personal property valuation, and that the county treasurer be notified of such abatement and correct his tax list accordingly.

A petition from Col. Wm. Thompson, in reference to the sw qr of sw qr of section 22, township 139, range 80, it having been omitted from the assessors' roll for the year 1883, and requesting that the same be placed upon the tax books of the county clerk and county treasurer and be exempt from taxation on account of five acres being planted in forest trees, was presented, read and approved, and the county clerk and treasurer instructed to place the same upon their rolls and mark accordingly.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the board that by an error of the assessor T. W. Griffin's real estate tax on sw qr and the sw qr of the nw qr of section 13, township 138, range 78 the valuation is $400 more than it should be, it is ordered that $400 be abated from his real estate valuation, and that the county treasurer be notified of such abatement and correct his tax list accordingly.

An application from T. W. Griffin for an abatement of his personal property tax was heard and laid over for the present.

An application of J. G. Miller for an abatement on real estate tax was read and disallowed.

The following bills were read and approved:

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| C. R. Williams, petit juror's fees, May term court, 1883, general fund | $ 8 10 |
| C. R. Williams, grand juror's fees, Nov. term court, 1883, general fund | 20 10 |

It appearing to the satisfaction of the board that by an error of the assessor David Stewart's real estate tax valuation is $250 more than it should be on thirty acres of land, being the north half of lot 1, section 4, township 140, range 80, which was assessed as eighty acres, it is ordered that $250 be abated from his real estate valuation and that the county treasurer be notified of such abatement and correct his taxes accordingly.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the board that by an error of the assessor David Stewart's personal property valuation is $200 more than it should be, it is ordered that $200 be abated from his personal property valuation and that the county treasurer be notified of such abatement and correct his tax list accordingly.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the board that by an error of the assessor Frank Donnelly's real estate tax on sundry lots in Williams' survey is $400 more than it should be it is ordered that $400 be abated from his real estate valuation and that the county treasurer be notified of such abatement and correct his tax list accordingly.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the board that by an error of the assessor, E. L. Strauss' real estate tax on sundry lots in block 37, Williams survey, is $900 more than it should be it is ordered that $900 be abated from his real estate valuation and that the county treasurer be notified of such abatement and correct his taxes accordingly.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the board that by an error of the assessor, C. W. Thompson's real estate tax on sundry fraction part of lots in block 110, city of Bismarck, is $1,500 more than it should be it is ordered that $1,500 be abated from his real estate valuation and that the county treasurer be notified of such abatement and correct his tak list accordingly.

Board adjourned to meet at 10 a. m., January 18, 1884.

Attest: E. M. FULLER, County Clerk.

## Custer Correspondence.

FORT CUSTER, M. T., Jan. 12, 1884.

TO THE EDITOR: Whoever has the regulation of the weather in charge is making a bad mess of it up here in our vicinity. The delightful anticipations of good sleighing created by a heavy snow-fall recently have been rudely dispelled and replaced by certainties in the shape of mud and slush. The ice on the Big Horn river no sooner became safe for the passage of wagons than a thaw set in, and now the water is rushing over the ice like a mill-race, with every prospect of clearing the river in a day or so.

Fort Custer is a most inconvenient place under these circumstances. The ferry cannot be worked, crossing by wagon is decidedly unsafe, and the means of transportation furnished by nature is entirely out of the question, for two good reasons—first, the danger of making a hole in the ice with one's body, and second, the unpleasantness of making the trip (supposing the ice strong enough) knee deep in almost freezing cold water, with no opportunity of warming up on the western side. Many persons who read this letter may think the situation "awful jolly," and so it is I dare say, from their point of view, but looking at it from our point at Fort Custer—say the "tank house"—it is not half so interesting, especially to those who have urgent business down at Custer Station, and must needs go there in person to transact it.

Your correspondent has many times in former days assisted as a member of a congregation in praying for favorable weather, and although we sometimes always didn't get what we prayed for, yet I never knew of it doing any considerable harm. If so it be that prayers will assist in making the Big Horn "a very safe river to cross" by Tuesday next, we may reasonably hope that "such will be," for prayers were commenced about three days ago by two officers of this garrison who have particular business at Custer Station just about that time, and who are doing penance and prayer on the ragged edge in the mean time.

It may be superfluous to remark that as yet no ice has been cut for summer use at the post nor can it be stated with any degree of certainty when the ice-cutting will commence. Still it is gratifying under the circumstances to be able to say that the post commander and the quartermaster are very well indeed, and may be approached with safety.

Captain Randolph Norwood, Second cavalry, arrived at this post a few days since and has assumed command of his troop ("L,") relieving Lieutenant Thomas J. Lewis, who was temporarily in command during Captain Norwood's absence.

Captain S. M. Swigert, Second cavalry, will take advantage of his four months leave of absence before the 20th. He is quite a favorite at the post and all wish him a pleasant time at his home in Kentucky. Mrs. Swigert and family left here in October last and are in Kentucky at present. First Lieutenant A. M. Fuller, Second cavalry, will command troop "F" during the captain's absence.

Notwithstanding the bad state of the roads the mails arrive regularly.

Last evening the garrison was entertained at the post theatre by the Amateur Theatrical Club of Fort Custer. The following programme speaks for itself.

NAVAL ENGAGEMENTS.

(A farce in two acts.)

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| Admiral Kingston, R. N. | Lieut. Borden |
| Lieut. Kingston, R. N. | Dr. Beach |
| Short | Lieut. Sharp |
| Dennis | Lieut. Wilson |
| Mrs. Pontifex | Mrs. Borden |
| Miss Mary Mortimer | Mrs. Beach |

Lieutenant Borden as the admiral, and Doctor Beach as the lieutenant, did famously, bringing down the house on several occasions. Mrs. Borden and Beach were both excellent in their respective parts. Lieutenant Sharp acted his part so well that one would think he ran a hotel all his life. Lieutenant Wilson, as Dennis the Irish waiter, tried to make the folks believe he was "putting it on," when he got to pumping out the brogue at the rate of twenty words a second, but it was no go before that audience, every one present being alive to the fact that he couldn't talk anything else if he tried to. His was the only part represented by native home talent and all agree that he acted well. It was an excellent entertainment altogether and was enjoyed throughout by everyone present.

In a previous letter to your paper I stated that Major Clayton, paymaster U. S. A., made the remark about finding more court martial entries on a single company muster roll in Arizona than on the combined company muster rolls of the nine companies at Fort Custer. The very same remark was made by Maj. Whipple, paymaster, a few days ago, when he paid the troops here, except that Fort Meade, in our own department, was the naughty post compared with ours.

A general court martial must be expected to convene once in a while, let it be ever so well regulated, and Custer is no exception. Special order No. 1, from headquarters department of Dakota, directed that one should convene here on the 11th inst., with Captain Wheelan, Second cavalry, as president; and Lieutenant Bowen, Fifth infantry, as judge advocate. One solitary case was before the court on that day, and as it took only about ten minutes to dispose of his business, it is safe to say the plea was "guilty."

Another virtue among the men of the post is, that when they do wrong they own up to it, and do not take wicked pleasure in giving the judge advocate any extra writing.

Mr. Theodore Borup and son arrived today from St. Paul, where they spent the Christmas holidays. Mr. Borup says that it was so cold during his stay in St. Paul, he was forced to remain indoors the whole time. Anyone who knows this gentleman will gather from such a statement that the thermometers had to be taken inside also, as he can stand it as long as they can. Notwithstanding the extreme cold weather both gentlemen say they enjoyed a very pleasant holiday. A hunting party from troop "I," Second cavalry, just got in with twenty-four deer as the most interesting item of the outfit. The corporal in charge shot nineteen of the number himself.

The "coasting" fever is upon the folks here just now, so much so that although sleighing is very poor, and the snow nothing but slush, yet a party of ladies and gentlemen numbering fourteen, had a jolly time for a couple of hours this evening, coasting down the high hill on which the post is built, to the bank or the Little Big Horn river. The hill is so steep that the sled would stand a good chance of sliding down of its own accord in the middle of summer, and to see eight grown people flying down this slope, scattering mud and slush in every direction is, to say the very least, awful jolly, but the sensation on the hill top looking on, is nothing to that which one experiences on the bob-sled, going down. The way the fire flew out of the rocks on the side of that hill as the coasters shot by over them, was a caution. All were delighted with the fun, the ladies taking the risk and enjoying themselves hugely the whole time. Although things looked a little risky at first, still there was not the slightest danger of an accident, under the existing circumstances, but perhaps the same could not be said if the track had been in good condition. All is well, however, that ends well. ELI.

## PASTORAL PLEASURES.

Farmer Wallace came into the sanctum yesterday to swap a few of his fall crop rural lies for a feast of the editorial brand of wild and improbable statements, and in speaking of the beauties of farm life allowed his fancies to run at such terrific speed that his tongue could scarcely keep up with them. He told us of his early farm life away back in the east when he was young and innocent, and drew such vivid and beautiful pictures of life amid the verdant fields and fragrant cows that the editorial lot appeared as an hollow delusion and a snare. He recalled in graphic language the days when he used to run about the home ranche with no distinguishing features greater than a sore toe and a fond affection for cold pie, and his eyes sparkled with pleasure as he recounted how he used to pick the luscious pumpkin from the tree when the ripening influence of the sun had tinged its sides with a golden blush, and how he could shuck more cucumbers in a day than any boy in his whole school district. And the corn husking bees! Every time a male husker would uncover a red ear the custom of the day granted him the privilege of kissing the bunch of rural beauty sitting by his side, and the Farmer, with a sardonic grin that split his head open from ear to ear, told us how he used to sneak out to the barn before the husking began and willfully and feloniously and with malice aforethought run over the pile and pick out about a bushel of red ears and conceal them at the spot where he was going to sit. Then he would select a girl with lips that seemed to be melting into clouds of nature's own bloom and one who looked like she could stand a great deal of punishment, and the husking would begin. How the old sinner's eyes shot out spear pointed gleams of mirthful wickedness as he turned his jaw loose and gave it full play at this stage of the recital! Every few seconds he would produce a red ear and assassinate those ripe, pouting lips with a vigor that knew no such words as "take it easy," and he would freeze to them like a leech and hang there and try to drink her breath until she would strangle and push him away, while the other boys would look on hungrily and husk faster and faster, spurred on by the hope that their turn would come soon.

And then the spelling schools! Is there a reader of the TRIBUNE beneath the cerulean dome above us who has not attended an old-fashioned spelling school? If there is we have a stock of sympathy for him or her as high as Dakota's capitol. He told us how his heart used to bombard his ribs as the night for the contest arrived, for he knew *she* would be there. Ah! you silvery-haired old man, upon whose brow time has laid its crushing finger, as you read these lines does not your thoughts go wandering down the dim aisles of the past to a little school house to whose now sacred precincts you too have hurried with beating heart, anticipating a meeting with one whose face you thought must have been cast in an angelic mould? We don't blame the Farmer for smacking his lips so yumably as these recollections come stealing over him like a half forgotten dream. He told us how he used to dress up and try to look stylish on these memorable occasion by putting a clean rag on his perpetually sore toe and washing one side of his face, and even at times going so far as to comb his hair when the fires of his love burned with more than usual intensity.

How proudly he used to limp up when he was chosen among the first, and how grandly he used to spell "d-e-l-del-l-i-li-deli-c-a-i-t-cait, dellicait," and grin like a fiend as the teacher would cry "next" for had he not purposely missed the word so he could go and sit beside his girl who had just been put down on the other side. Yea, verily, had he not!

And when school was dismissed he would rush out and get into the line with the other boys and when his girl came through the door he would step up and say "Can I have the abominable and conscientious felicity of seeing you safe home?" and she would say "ya-a-a-as, te-he-he he," and together they would go out for the long walk down the lane beneath the silent stars.

While in each breast the raging fires
In maddening flames did burn,—
Fed as if by electric wires
Between his heart and her'n.

On the homeward walk he had a standing compact with her that every time he stubbed his toe he would get a kiss, and during his idle hours, through the day he used to encourage the good cause by carrying stones and casting them into the road leading to her house. This accounted for the persistent alwaysness of his sore toes.

The Farmer is now old and hardened and would rather have a good pumpkin pie than a whole bushel of kisses, at least he says he would, yet as he told his story and old and fond recollections came trooping up in panoramic form before him, his eyes glowed and a disturbance beneath his shirt bosom indicated that his heart was dancing a jig and behaving in a very indecorous manner. He lived over his whole happy careless boyhood in a brief half hour.

## A DANGEROUS AMBUSCADE.

### Discovered Barely in Time—The Most Deceptive and Luring of Modern Evils Graphically Described.

(Syracuse Journal.)

Something of a sensation was caused in [this] city yesterday by a rumor that one of our best known citizens was about to publish a statement concerning some unusual experience during his residence in Syracuse. How the rumor originated it is impossible to say, but a reporter immediately sought Dr. S. G. Martin, the gentleman in question, and secured the following interview:

"What about this rumor, doctor, that you are going to make a public statement of some important matters?"

"Just about the same as you will find in all rumors—some truth, some fiction. I had contemplated making a publication of some remarkable episodes that have occurred in my life, but have not completed it as yet."

"What is the nature of it, may I enquire?"

"Why, the fact that I am a human being instead of a spirit. I have passed through one of the most wonderful ordeals that perhaps ever occurred to any man. The first intimation I had of it was several years ago, when I began to feel chilly at night and restless after retiring. Occasionally this would be varied by a soreness of the muscles and cramps in my arms and legs. I thought, as most people would think, that it was only a cold, and so paid as little attention to it as possible. Shortly after this I noticed a peculiar catarrhal trouble, and my throat also became inflamed. As if this were not variety enough I felt sharp pains in my chest, and a constant tendency to headache."

"Why didn't you take the matter in hand and check it right where it was?"

"Why doesn't everybody do so? Simply because they think it is only some trifling and passing disorder. These troubles did not come all at once and I thought it unmanly to heed them. I have found, though, that every physical neglect must be paid for and with large interest. Men cannot draw drafts on their constitution without honoring them sometime. These minor symptoms I have described, grew until they were giants of agony. I became more nervous; had a strange fluttering of the heart, an inability to draw a long breath and an occasional numbness that was terribly suggestive of paralysis. How I could have been so blind as not to understand what this meant I cannot imagine."

"And did you do nothing?"

"Yes, I traveled. In the spring of 1879 I went to Kansas and Colorado, and while in Denver, I was attacked with a mysterious hemorrhage of the urinary organs and lost twenty pounds of flesh in three weeks. One day after my return I was taken with a terrible chill and at once advanced to a very severe attack of pneumonia. My left lung soon entirely filled with water and my legs and body became twice their natural size. I was obliged to sit upright in bed for several weeks in the midst of the severest agony, with my arms over my head, and in constant fear of suffocation."

"And did you still make no attempt to save yourself?"

"Yes, I made frantic efforts. I tried everything that seemed to offer the least prospect of relief. I called a council of doctors and had them make an exhaustive chemical and microscopical examination of my condition. Five of the best physicians of Syracuse and several from another city said I must die!

It seemed as though their assertion was true for my feet became cold, my mouth parched, my eyes wore a fixed glassy stare, my body was covered with a cold, clammy death sweat, and I read my fate in the anxious expressions of my family and friends."

"But the finale?"

"Came at last. My wife, aroused to desperation, began to administer a remedy upon her own responsibility, and while I grew better very slowly, I gained ground surely until, in brief, I have no trace of the terrible Bright's disease from which I was dying, and am a perfectly well man. This may sound like a romance, but it is true, and my life, health and what I am are due to Warner's Safe Cure, which I wish was known to and used by the thousands who, I believe, are suffering this minute as I was originally. Does not such an experience as this justify me in making a public statement?"

"It certainly does. But then Bright's disease is not a common complaint, doctor."

"Not common! On the contrary, it is one of the most common. The trouble is, few people know they have it. It has so few marked symptoms until its final stages that a person may have it for years, each year getting more and more in its power and not suspect it. It is quite natural I should feel enthusiastic over this remedy while my wife is even more so than I am. She knows of its being used with surprising results by many ladies for their own peculiar ailments, over which it has singular power."

The statement drawn out by the above interview is amply confirmed by very many of our most prominent citizens, among them being Judge Reigel, and Col. James S. Goodrich, of the Times, while Gen. Dwight H. Bruce and Rev. Prof. W. P. Coddington, D. D., give the remedy their heartiest endorsement. In this age of wonders, surprising things are quite common, but an experience so unusual as that of Dr. Martin's, and occurring here in our midst, may well cause comment and teach a lesson. It shows the necessity of guarding the slightest approach of physical disorder and by the means which has been proven the most reliable and efficient. It shows the depth to which one can sink and yet be rescued, and it proves that few people need suffer if these truths are observed.

IN cleaning out an old cellar in a local option county the other day, workmen discovered several hundred snakes. What became of the bottles is not known.—[Philadelphia Call. Perhaps the former owner of the house which stood there made the cellar the storing place for his cast-off boots. That's the way we would cipher it out in this infant country.

Mr. I. Carpenter, 463 Fourth avenue, New York, after running a gauntlet of eight years' rheumatism,ured St. Jacobs Oil, the great pain reliever, by which he was entirely cured and has had no return of his complaint.