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BUSY BEINGS.

Board of Trade Meeting and Election of Officers Last Night—Complete Report of Proceedings.

Our Streets Being Prepared for the Future

Metropolis of North Dakota in the James River Valley.

Jamestown and the James River Valley to Which all Eyes are turned—A New Enterprise.

From the Daily, Wednesday.

Board of Trade Meeting.

The first regular meeting of the Board of Trade was held at Klaus hall last night at which the following business was transacted:

Chairman R. E. Wallace called the meeting to order, and I. C. Wade was appointed temporary secretary.

Chair appointed Messrs Bill and White tellers in the election of officers.

Motion made and carried to proceed to the election of officers.

Messrs E. P. Wells and S. K. McGinnis were put in nomination for president. Mr. Wells withdrew thanking the gentlemen for the compliment.

Mr. Russell moved that Mr. McGinnis be elected president by acclamation, which was seconded by Mr. White. After some discussion Mr. Wells moved that the same gentleman be elected president by ballot.

Mr. McGinnis was conducted to the chair by Mr. Wells, and in a few appropriate remarks President McGinnis thanked the members for the honor conferred upon him.

Mr. Wells was nominated for first vice-president by Mr. Lloyd, 2nd; L. Lyons, 3rd; and A. Klaus 4th. Nominations closed and the secretary instructed to cast the vote of the board for the election of officers, who were declared duly elected.

On motion the board proceeded to election of a secretary. Messrs H. Wood, Nickens, and I. C. Wade were put in nomination, and nominations closed. Upon balloting, Mr. Wade was declared elected and on motion his election was made unanimous.

Messrs Dudley and W. M. Loyd were nominated for treasurer. Ballot being taken Mr. Dudley was elected and on motion his election was made unanimous.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Committee on rooms reported by Mr. Wells.

Consisting of E. P. Wells, T. B. Lloyd and A. Doollittle appointed to report at next meeting.

Mr. Atkinson reported on a matter house, which was followed by a general discussion.

Mr. Wade reported on straw board manufacture and report accepted. Moved by Mr. White that the secretary continue on same subject. Carried.

Mr. Wells moved that the board contract with the daily I. R. Journal for outside and inside pages for advertising purposes.

On motion board adjourned.

Our Streets and Town.

A very important consideration in any town or city is that of the quality and condition of the public streets. Good streets are as essential to the character and reputation of a city as are good buildings and sidewalks. There are many towns in the territory, especially over in the Red River Valley, where the bottomless mud in the spring season is a great detriment to business and militates against those places very materially with prospectors who come out to look at that country in the spring. Jamestown is especially favored in this respect, for the town site is as no more so muddy as to interfere with business. The mud is never so bad in town as to team of two horses can draw a load of a ton weight anywhere in town.

Besides the natural streets with a composition of clay, silt and stone, which, when pulverized and packed down by traffic is superior to the macadamized roads of the eastern towns and country. Our streets are so even in natural grade that a person can see from one end to the other in any direction, and yet they have declivity enough to carry off the surplus rainfall quickly, so that the streets are comparatively dry as soon as the rain ceases to fall. The different streets afford a beautiful drive, and the fact that the streets are in an attention not to be overlooked, and a luxury highly prized and enjoyed by our citizens. No new town in America has had a better and more judicious start in the way of laying out its streets than Jamestown, and in the future when this shall be the capital of northern Dakota, it is surely well, and shall have expanded into a great city the work and care of attending to these matters now will be the advantage in many ways, and it will be a monumental honor to have your name recorded among the pioneers and builders of the town as Minneapolis is the marvel of Minnesota, so Jamestown will be of Dakota.

Provoking Errors.

Owing to those unavoidable circumstances that occasionally disturb the equilibrium of the best regulated printing offices, a number of grievous errors appeared in the Alert yesterday morning, and especially in the report of the board of trade meeting. If anything else than profanity will express a newspaper editor's bottom feelings and emphasis upon reading the paper after the edition is all printed off as he comes upon these ridiculous blunders we have been unable after an arduous study and search of twelve years to find it. To see what he thought of a brilliant expression of a sublime sentiment incontinently fattened out by a typographical error changing it from the sublime to the ridiculous tears up the very foundation of the editor's religious inspiration and makes him forget his early Sunday School training. The principal restraint upon his profanity on such occasions is the limit of language, and in order to be prepared for just such an emergency editors learn to swear in every

DOINGS OF A DAY.

The School House Contract—The Refreshing Rain Descend and a General Line of Blessings Flow.

The Benefits that Might be Derived from an Excursion to the N. P. Railroad.

The Panoramic Completion of Events Far and Near Presented to the Alert Reviewers.

From the Daily, Thursday.

Let's Have an Excursion.

The North Pacific gives the fact to the public that since the assembling of the medical convention at St. Paul, physicians and their families to the extent of over twelve hundred have passed over the road. Of this number perhaps nearly one thousand saw Jamestown in one way and another. It seems to the Alert that it would be a splendid scheme for the North Pacific and its connecting lines to give an editorial excursion from some accessible point, say Chicago, to the end of the track in Montana about harvest time. This would give them a run of about a thousand miles from St. Paul and an opportunity to see the famous and world renowned wheat fields of Northern Dakota, and in the city mentioned the valley rich in such material. The presence of such "boomers" creates an atmosphere that is beneficial to society, and will have a tendency to rapidly drive away all eastern fears of this unincorporated Territory. This week Mrs. L. Marshall, of Des Moines, Iowa, accompanied by Mr. S. Bosworth, a friend from Ohio, have been in the city making inquiries regarding and in this locality. The ladies are making their headquarters at Mrs. Buel's, on Third street, and both allude to their excursion so far in the valley in the most flattering and complimentary terms. Mrs. Marshall particularly is elated over the prospect, and with her companion, will prospect in the various fields on the market until they strike what they want. They are ladies who display considerable of that quality called "grit"—of a refined nature, however—and will quite likely become front rank "boomers."

Our Great Country.

Jamestown and the James River Valley are now known from the rivers to the ends of the earth, for copies of the Alert have been sent out in all directions and to nearly all places, and people who once see Jamestown are unanimously so fascinated with its appearance that they speak of it, and in that way advertise it, even if they do not stop here. Jamestown is now as well known as either Fargo or Bismarck, and surpasses either of these flourishing towns in popular favor. Fargo, Jamestown and Bismarck are the greatest cities and by which Northern Dakota is known. If the wheat crop looks out to the harvest as the prospect now is, and there is no apprehension that it will not, the immense territory will hardly hold the immigration to this country next year. The people of the States are just getting their eyes open to the magnificent country here in the Northwest, which, until recently, has remained comparatively unknown. In a few years land that can now be had for improving it or bought for from three to seven dollars an acre will bring from thirty to fifty dollars an acre. Those who come first secure their homes will reap the bonanza harvest of the rise in price.

A New Enterprise.

Mr. Fred Woodward, from the State of Vermont, who arrived in town a day or two ago, has decided to locate here and engage in an enterprise that will be hailed with much pleasure by our citizens, that of a steam plowing mill and turning and such other work as is connected with that line of business. He has already decided upon the location and will at once commence building, and himself return east to buy and bring his machinery. Mr. B. W. Fuller, an old friend and acquaintance of Mr. Woodward, is the man for the manufactory. Mr. Woodward is a man of enterprise and capital and has had experience in the business. The operation of this enterprise in our town will no doubt be profitable to the owners, and will be highly advantageous to the building interests of our town, for there is a great deal of manual labor now expended on work that will be done by machinery such as Mr. Woodward intends to put in his mill. It is an encouraging sign of the times and an auspicious omen for Jamestown that these enterprises are being attracted here.

School House Contract Let.

The bids for building the new school house were canvassed yesterday and were as follows: Peter Auberton, \$9,000; R. T. Jordan, \$8,500; Martin & Merwin, \$12,000. Mr. Jordan's bid being the lowest, the contract was awarded to him, the work to be completed by the 1st of September. It is to be a frame building, a description of which was given in the Alert some weeks ago, and will be a handsome structure, one of which our town may well feel proud. It will provide rooms for a systematically graded school, which will afford our citizens ample provision for educating their children sufficiently to conduct any of the ordinary avocations of life. It is certainly a commendable and gratifying characteristic of our citizens to provide abundantly for the education of the young, and is one that will tell with good effect upon families seeking homes in the west.

Correction.

The law suit tried by jury at the court house was brought to recover judgment on a promissory note instead of to dissolve an attachment as stated in our last issue. Defendant's counsel moved to dissolve an attachment during the trial on the ground that defendant was a resident of this Territory, which motion was granted. Defendant denied the note and the consideration, and declared it was secured by mortgage, but the jury brought in a verdict for the plaintiff to recover \$200 and costs. Dodge and Bill for plaintiff, Marsh and Nickens for defendant.

TICK TACKS.

The Pith of the News From Various Quarters for the Curious and Interested.

Cleveland, June 13.—When work stopped to-night at the Cleveland rolling mills the workmen who have as yet refused to strike were met by the riotous and furious assault with clubs and cinders aimed first at the workmen, but as the excitement increased the police were pelted as well. Scarcely any of the officers or laborers escaped being hit and many of them were severely injured. A large number of arrests were made and taken in conveyances to the precinct prison. It is feared that an attempt will be made to liberate them. The mayor and heads of the police department are in consultation to-night to devise a more effective method to prevent a repetition of the outbreak to-morrow, which was a disgraceful affair.

Detective Lawrence who undertook to arrest a fellow for throwing stones was knocked down and brutally beaten and kicked. It appears he is not dangerously injured, but passed a restless night, and is considerably battered by stone throwers. Some wearing strikers' badges were arrested and locked in the central station.

Chicago, June 13.—Seaboard trunk lines recently proposed to Chicago lines that instead of trucking at the net rate of \$25 from New York to Kansas City they would collect \$32.40. The general agents of the Chicago road met in a body and passed a resolution to the effect that seaboard roads should use net rate, but in case they should refuse agreeing to the rate an order is provided that the total amount of rebate will be allowed to the line running the same.

Portland, June 13.—The republican state convention was held here to-day and was called to order by Senator Frye. Senator Hale was made permanent chairman and delivered a speech. Colonel Frederick Robie was nominated for governor on the first ballot. The following were nominated as congressmen: Thos. A. Nelson, of Wisconsin, was the only protestant in the field, and endorses Arthur's administration.

Newburgh, N. Y., June 13.—Last night Dr. Monteville and M. Hedges were arrested here on the complaint of Francis H. Weld of this city, charging him with cheating at a game of poker in this city in June last year, each betting \$150,000 on a single hand, Hedges losing the game.

Boston, June 13.—The committee in charge of the affairs of Charles Sweet & Co. have already paid \$2,000,000 of the \$2,500,000 liabilities. There still remains \$500,000 in Massachusetts Central railroad bonds, which syndicate is forming to take at about market price.

Detroit, June 13.—General Grant arrived here to-night to participate in the reunion of the Army of the Potomac. Gen. Briggs, of Wisconsin, was the orator of the day. John Boyle and O'Reilly also have arrived to-day. Opening exercises will begin to-morrow.

St. Louis, June 13.—The funeral procession this afternoon in honor of Garibaldi was quite an imposing affair and was participated in by all the Italian societies in the city, aided by a large delegation of French, German, Swiss and other nationalities.

Little Rock, June 13.—Yesterday morning flames were discovered in the upper portion of Goldberg's store, and were soon beyond control, destroying several buildings in the business center of the town. Loss \$170,000. Half insured.

Denver, June 13.—The exposition buildings are well advanced in construction, and the exposition will no doubt open by August 1st. Numerous statues and terraces will be represented. Space also is reserved for Mexico, British America and Australia.

Little Rock, June 13.—Sunday evening last the body of Mrs. Holland, wife of a prominent farmer in Bradley Co., was found hanging to the limb of a tree. She had long been in ill health, and it is supposed she was driven to act thus as a relief from suffering.

Chicago, June 13.—A dispatch says: Arthur Webster, Henry Lettrine, John A. Cole and David Arato were arrested to-day on charge of counterfeiting U. S. grand jury. They were held to the U. S. grand jury to-day.

Philadelphia, June 13.—The Eastern car builders' association began its annual session to-day. Leader Gerry of the New York Central and Hudson River railroad presiding.

Cohoes, June 13.—The five strikers who returned to work in the Harmony mills Monday under the ten per cent reduction schedule were to-day reinforced by five more.

Washington, June 14.—In the star route trial to-day, Ralph M. Grune of Kearney, Neb., testified to distance from one point to another en route. The time he said had never been changed since the institution of the service. Grune identified here the reports on which French, sub contractor, has been fined for delivery 24 hours ahead of schedule time. Reading this paper caused a general laugh, and the counsel and Judge Wyle said it was the most extraordinary falling on record. An explanation was demanded and witness said a bridge had washed out and the stage driver had to go out on the prairie; there he had lost his way and had finally come in 24 hours late. The other stage was due at that time, and the driver did not know what time he was on or what he belonged to. His explanation caused another general laugh.

Washington.—Senator Saunders, of Nebraska, testified in the Star Route trial to-day, but nothing of importance elicited special attention. The reading of letters was begun to-day. They are from J. W. Dorsey & Co., to French and relate to the compensation to be allowed for service and time schedules. Several of the letters appeared to be on affidavit paper. In cross examination of Dorsey and French the attorney general entered the court room and the witness identified the letters handed him by the general.

Indianapolis, Ind., June 14.—Last evening there was a heavy rain fall which continued at intervals through the evening and night, and early this evening a regu-

BEING DELUGED.

Large deluge of water came down flooding the streets and overflowing side walks. Culverts were filled up, and the water backed up two to five feet deep on the streets doing a great amount of damage.

Chicago, June 14.—The Chicago papers this morning contained special reporting to give an interview with Gen. Hancock regarding the recent published letters of Gen. Garfield to Secy. Chase. In these specials Gen. Rosecrans is reported to say:

But one year ago when I attended the exercises at West Point, Gen. Anson Sloger told me that he was one of the four persons present at the Louisville interview with Stanton and that what occurred there was just the reverse of what was stated by Gen. Garfield. I believe Sloger, because I would place his word against that of Garfield.

This dispatch being shown to General Sloger, he replied that he did not remember to have met General Rosecrans in years, and that he never had any conversation with him at West Point or elsewhere as detailed in the specials or that until the publication of the supposed interview he was not aware that General Rosecrans attended the West Point exercises last summer. He further states that it is absolutely false that he told General Rosecrans or any one else that what occurred at the Louisville interview with Stanton was the reverse of what was stated by Garfield.

Milwaukee, June 14.—Specials from the region of forest fires in Wisconsin to the Republican-Sentinel states that at least 30,000,000 feet of standing pine has been destroyed in the Pike river pinery and that the fire is still raging in that region and the northern portion of Wisconsin and peninsula of Michigan.

Reports from the line of the Wisconsin Central railway states that the rain of last night has checked the fires somewhat, but it is doubtful if it has extinguished them.

The latest reports from Neillsville, in the central portion of the state and where the most serious are, state that the heavy rain to-day has extinguished the fires and all danger is passed.

Montreal, June 14.—Seamanship Pera from this port for Great Britain forwarded off Cape Race.

St. Paul, June 14.—The line steamer Manitoba, which passed Farther Point had on board captain, officers, engineer and part of the crew of the Pera, who were picked up in tow boats. The other boats of the Pera are not yet heard from. She had on board 23 cabin passengers, 24,455 lbs. 244 head of cattle and 10,000 feet lumber. Ship and cargo insured. She had a crew of thirty-two, and eight cattle-men. Ten persons are yet missing.

Poughkeepsie, June 14.—The examination in the case of Francis Weed against Dr. Hedges, charged with defrauding Weed out of \$500,000 at draw poker company up before Judge Barnard to-day for hearing.

Cairo, Egypt, June 14.—The panic is increasing. The exodus of Europeans still continues. Offices of the European and several other banks closed.

Raleigh, N. C. June 14.—After a long struggle Wm. A. Moore was elected permanent president of the republican convention.

Milwaukee, June 14.—Rev. Father Peter Libery, special head of the Elm Grove Convent, died at Elm Grove, Wis., to-day aged 52.

Washington, June 14.—No application has been made to Justice Bradley for a writ of habeas corpus in the Gutten case.

Milwaukee, June 14.—The destroyed Sherman Munn Co's mill at Eau Claire. Loss \$50,000; insurance \$15,000.

Detroit, June 15.—This afternoon the veterans of the Army of the Potomac were treated to a ride on the beautiful Detroit river, two large passenger ferry boats being lashed together for the purpose. The excursion lasted some two hours and was the highest of the highest degree. The exercises closed with a banquet at the music hall. Gen. Grant responded with a toast to our country. He opened by calling attention to the fact that in one century the people of this country have achieved a freedom of liberty, justice and human welfare on the one hand and selfish ambition, oppression and despotism on the other, the issues resultant from the successful triumph of the former are independence, philanthropy and democratic opinions. The soldiers who spent years in fighting for the union now feel the greatest pleasure of existence in reviewing the issues of the war and feeling within themselves the honor of having fought for the sustaining of the constitution. Ex-President Hayes made a few remarks of deep import. So ended the memorable reunion of the Army of the Potomac, which has been a great success.

Cleveland, June 15.—Rev. Father Houck was ejected from the Leader office this afternoon in a manner which caused something of a sensation. The Leader is a weekly anti-Catholic paper, and yesterday carried an editorial to which the Reverend replied by letter which contained some things very abusive, and upon Father Houck's inquiry at the Leader office to-day to learn the cause of his ejection he was met by the angry scribbler, and ejected bodily. Father Houck swore out a warrant for Cowley's arrest on charge of assault and battery.

Eminence, Ky., June 15.—Great damage was done to wheat and barley by a heavy rain and hail storm which passed over this place last evening. News from Anchorage, Ky., reports the heaviest rain fall of the season at that place yesterday. A large number of hail stones were picked up, and the length of time it required for them to melt was considerable and the largest lasted over half an hour. They were of all shapes and attained a great deal of interest.

Milwaukee, June 15.—A private dispatch received from St. Paul, D. T., states that U. S. Marshal Henry Marshall of this city and district, has finally succeeded in arresting Alfred Brown, the person who is alleged to have perpetrated the great agricultural strike in Wisconsin, and is now Brown's friends assert that he shall not be taken from the territory.

Jackson, Mich., June 15.—This afternoon at 3:30 o'clock a saloon-keeper named Schumacker, on Milwaukee street, shot a policeman, the charge of shot hitting him in the face and eye, then Schumacker shot his wife, inflicting a mortal wound, then shot himself and died within ten minutes. The policeman may recover, but will lose his eye-sight.

Minneapolis, Minn., June 15.—The grand Lodge of Good Templars to-day elected the following officers: G. W. C. T. E. F. Patterson, Rochester; G. W. C. J. M. Durham, Brooklyn; G. W. V. T., Mrs.

A. M. THISSON.

The Minneapolis session closes this evening with the installation of officers.

Washington, June 15.—A resolution was introduced in the senate to-day to pay the southern mail contractor \$371,000 for anti-bellum services and debates.

A resolution was introduced by Plumb for investigation of the labor strikes.

To-day Windom spoke strongly against the bonded spirits bill, and upon vote was postponed.

The attention of the house to-day was occupied in the consideration of the river and harbor bill.

Cleveland, Ohio, June 15.—The strikers have men designated from their number to act as police, and assist in preserving order. They asked to be appointed by the city as special patrolmen, but their request was denied. Two of these officers arrested some non-union workmen last Friday, on a charge of carrying concealed weapons. On trial at the police court they swore they carried the revolvers to protect themselves from assault by the strikers.

Dayton, June 15.—There were thousands of witnesses from near and far to witness the launching of the ship built by President Garfield and dedicated to the Soldiers' Home. The ship was constructed from the old launch of the Cumberland land which was sunk by the Merrimack.

Canton, Ohio, June 15.—George McMullen was found this morning with a bullet hole in his breast, and his wife dead in bed with a bullet hole under her eye. He says an unknown woman entered the room and committed the deed. McMullen is under arrest.

St. Louis, Mo., June 15.—The first regular shipments of new wheat freight arrived to-day, being 14 cars, from Southeast Missouri; 8 cars of wheat was graded No. 2. Samples from Texas and Tennessee were exhibited on change to-day.

Canton, O. June 15.—The funeral of ex-Gov. Dennison will take place Saturday. Banks and other organizations have adopted appropriate resolutions.

Personal and General.

The forest fires in Wisconsin still continue to be a source of alarm and apprehension.

Benjamin Teller of Suspension Bridge has been elected grand master of the New York Masons.

There has been some fifteen cases of small pox developed in Davenport, Ia., during the past week.

A Baltimore & Ohio passenger train was derailed near Martinsburg, W. Va., by a running over a cow. 10,000 feet lumber. Ship and cargo insured. She had a crew of thirty-two, and eight cattle-men. Ten persons are yet missing.

E. A. Clark of Utica committed suicide by hanging himself in a barn. Cause unknown. He leaves a family.

Alexander H. Stephens is rapidly recovering from his late accident, and hopes soon to be able to take a drive.

The new comet discovered by the members of the eclipse expedition to Egypt has been named after the Khedive.

Don Cameron is reported to have paid out of his own pocket the entire cost of the 300 "Stewart" bronze medals.

Two sons of Garibaldi's daughter Theresia were killed by Gen. Canaris near Abraham Lincoln and John Brown.

The Abbe Litz, the famous pianist, devotes the afternoons of three days each week to giving free instructions to young artists.

Gen. Grant says he has not invested a single cent in stock speculations, in which it was widely reported he had lost his capital.

At Kirkville, Mo., yesterday, the four Brookfield bank robbers pleaded guilty and were sentenced to twenty five years imprisonment.

The 250th anniversary of the first congressional church, the oldest orthodox society in the country, was held last week in Lynn, Mass.

During a riot between circus men and a crowd of Indianapolis roughs, last week, a circus man named Togh was killed and several injured.

It is reported that the wife of one of the Brookfield bank robbers has returned \$1,400 in gold, taken in the recent raid from the bank.

The postoffice officials assert that the surplus of receipts over expenditures of the department for the past year will foot up nearly \$1,000,000.

Sir Henry Rawlinson has been elected to succeed the late Charles Robert Darwin as honorary member of the Imperial Academy of Sciences at Vienna.

Senator Hill, of Georgia, there is reason to fear, has gone to his home at Atlanta to die. His arrival was the occasion of a pathetic public demonstration.

The electric light wires at Bay City, Mich., have rendered many of the telephone circuits useless, the wires being so placed as to cause heavy inductive currents.

The residents of Alexandria Bay, N. Y., the late Dr. J. G. Holland's summer home intend erecting soon a monument in the Lutheran cemetery there to the memory of that genial and gifted author.

The great log jam on the Wisconsin river at Grandfather Falls has been broken. It was the largest jam ever known on the Wisconsin over 70,000,000 of logs being leaped in one immense pile.

Lake Minnetonka, a pleasure resort near Minneapolis, is once more the scene of a sea-serpent scare. Two physicians and a business man were out fishing in the rear of Hotel Morrow when they discovered, it is alleged, a huge serpent coming towards them. The monster reared his horrible head some ten feet in the air, presenting such a frightful appearance that they fled from the scene and have not been able to strike from Huntley through some 20 miles of Hennepin's, thirty-two miles west of Billings, to a point about two miles east of the town, where it would find an outlet into the river. As soon as the vast possibilities of the scheme became apparent, the company determined to change the original plans and include not only the Clark's Forks valley and the Yellowstone valley, as far east as Huntley in the territory to be irrigated, but also to strike from Huntley through a gap in the Bull mountains, and water some 200 miles, a distance 132 miles in extent and many miles broad."