

The Alert

DAILY AND WEEKLY

MARSHALL MCCLURE.

NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD CO

TIME CARD.

TRAINS GOING EAST DEPART:

Atlantic Express	3 45 p. m.
St. Paul Accommodation	5 10 p. m.
Freight No. 18 (except Sunday)	7 45 a. m.
do " " " " " " " "	8 30 p. m.
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Close connections at St. Paul with all east bound trains.

DEPART GOING WEST:

Freight Express	3 45 p. m.
St. Paul Accommodation	5 10 p. m.
Freight No. 18 (except Sunday)	7 45 a. m.
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do " " " " " " " "	11 30 p. m.
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P. M. DAILY AGENT.

The nomination of governor in New York was made by the following vote: Folger 257, Cornell 222, Wadsworth 18. There being 497 votes cast 249 were necessary to a choice. Folger having received eight more than the majority required, was declared the nominee of the convention.

The liquor dealers of Illinois have decided to support the democratic ticket as a matter of business. The prohibitionists will now probably determine to support the republican ticket as a matter of business too. The drawing of party lines on social issues is a two-edged sword that cuts both ways. "Whom the gods would destroy they first make mad," and this point of destruction is reached by the liquor dealers in their action in this matter in Illinois.

D. W. Maratta, of Bismarck, and William R. Steele, of Deadwood, are probable candidates for the democratic nomination for the delegateship to which we may add the name of our distinguished fellow-citizen, Hon. D. M. Kelleher, of Stutsman county, who is a man of prominence and ability. The nomination will not seriously interfere with the business of the candidate, whoever he may be, for he will not be required to go to Washington, and the Mitchell convention might as well do the liberal thing by nominating all three of them, for Mr. Raymond will be elected anyhow.

The papers all over the 14th legislative district seem all well pleased with the nominations made here last Wednesday, and there will be no disaffection of any kind during the campaign on this score. The republicans of Dakota make things red hot in their contests over the nominations, but when the nominations are made they let the dead bury their dead and all unite and work together for the election of the successful candidate, and especially is this true of North Dakota. This unity and harmony secured the nomination of a North Dakota man for delegate to congress, and this same spirit of harmony and unity gives us strength in our district and local elections.

The Bismarck Tribune in a spirit of fairness that is worthy of that excellent and influential journal has the following to say of the result of the legislative convention held in this city: "Burleigh county did not present a candidate for the territorial council for the reason that as the senior county in the district, it has claimed the position for several years, and it was but natural for the senior county in the present district to claim it this year, and Burleigh county gracefully yielded. The name of Hon. E. A. Williams was presented, however, for the house of representatives, and for that position he was given almost the unanimous support of the convention. Morton and Kidder both had candidates for the same position and could not have been expected for that reason to favor a rival county. The same is true of Ransom county. Aside from these three counties Mr. Williams received every vote cast on the informal ballot, and was then nominated by acclamation."

Devil's Lake, about eighty miles north of Jamestown, is a body of salt water, about thirty-six miles long and six miles wide at the broadest point. The Indian name of the lake is Minnewaukon, which means "Haunted Water," and their superstition was that it was haunted by good spirits and not by evil ones as the name given it by the white man suggests. Its shores are lined with large white rocks, and its banks are covered with heavy bodies of timber. On the north shore it is estimated that there are 40,000 acres of timber. There is a hill toward the north called Devil's Heart from which a view of scenery can be had, which once enjoyed can never be forgotten. This lake is destined at no very distant time to be a great summer resort, one that will rival in popularity, and surpass Saratoga in comfort. On the southern shore of Devil's Lake is Fort Totten, surrounded by a military reservation in which the Indians concerned in the Minnesota massacre of twenty years ago, are still kept prisoners. There is a stage line running direct from Jamestown to Fort Totten, and by another year the two places will be connected by a branch of the Northern Pacific, an effort to construct wires through to this point this fall is being made.

Politics in Dakota is beginning to warm up and the party hosts are beginning to marshal themselves for the conflict. In the nomination of candidates, the first consideration should be the nomination of good and capable men. The Alert, in common with the press of the territory generally, is republican in its proclivities, but it is at the same time independent enough to repudiate caucus abuses and underhanded scheming, and disregard the nominations of the party made or secured by such disreputable means. The good of the republicanism party is superior to that of any individual member, and when a nomination by a caucus or convention shall be compassed by the unscrupulous means often resorted to by the political trickster, such a nomination is a damage to the party, and the Alert will repudiate him and his nomination, for the defeat of an unworthy candidate is a triumph for the party. The Alert is not the heraldman of any politician who may secure a nomination merely because of

that nomination. If the candidate has no other grounds upon which to claim the support of the party than his mere identity with the party and a successful scheming to pack a convention and obtain a nomination, he has no claims upon the Alert for its support.

The wheat crop of Dakota this year is estimated from reliable data to be 20,000,000 bushels and the highest grade in the market. The agricultural bureau places the wheat crop of the United States this year at 520,000,000. Home consumption will require 300,000,000 leaving a surplus of 220,000,000 for export. An export of 150,000,000 this year is an outside figure and the probabilities are that it will fall considerably short of that. At any rate there will be at least a surplus of 75,000,000 bushels of wheat over and above home consumption and foreign demand.

The prohibition ground is agitating the political parties in Minnesota. Both want its aid and both want to let it alone. There is no question in the minds of observing and thinking men that the prohibition movement will, on no distant day, crystallize into a formidable party and in the end obtain the reins of government, but how long that will be depends upon the real and discretion of its advocates. Its non-affiliation with other parties to the extent of losing its own identity in any essential particular is establishing a foundation upon a rock, and every tide that beats against it only makes it the stronger and firmer. The nation is being educated up to the platform of the prohibitionists, and the next generation of voters will bring a large accession to its strength for they are educating the rising generation to that point. The occasional violent resistance and general disregard of the laws regulating the liquor traffic, injures those who champion the opposite extreme and but hastens the revolution that will eventually overwhelm them. It does not require the eye of prophecy to foresee that, under all these circumstances, the next generation of voters will gravitate in a large proportion into the prohibition party and that it will be the dominant party of the nation, although it may require still another generation to educate the people up to the point of observing prohibition laws and enforcing them. Popular sentiment is, after all, the supreme law of the land, and any law that is not sustained by popular sentiment is a dead letter on the statute books.

THE CANDIDATES.

The result of the Legislative Convention in this city, on Wednesday of this week in the nomination of candidates for territorial council and representatives in the Territorial Assembly, will be very generally concurred in by the masses of the republican party throughout the district. The unanimity with which the candidates were named, and conferred upon Johnson Nickens, Stutsman county's candidate, was a flattering compliment to the recognized ability of that gentleman and one that will be endorsed by the people at the election. Mr. Nickens is a man of unquestionable personal integrity and superior ability, and will make a mark in the Legislative body to which he will be elected that will reflect honor upon himself and credit to his constituency.

Hon. E. A. Williams, of Burleigh county, and B. W. Benson of Barnes, the candidates for representatives, are both men of prominence in their respective sections, the former having served two terms in the Territorial Legislature in former years. Mr. Benson is highly recommended by those who know him as a man of ability and influence, and whatever strife and bitterness may have been engendered in that county in the preliminary contest should now be laid aside and all work together in harmony for the general good.

The District Attorney.

The third judicial district, composed of the fifteen counties named in the call for the convention at the head of the editorial column, will meet in delegate convention at Jamestown, on Friday, Oct. 6th, to nominate a republican candidate for district attorney. In this connection the Alert wishes again to present the name of W. E. Dodge, Esq., of this city, who is a gentleman of experience and ability in the profession of the law, and a man of integrity and excellent standing in business circles. Mr. Dodge is too well known in this section of the country to require anything further than the mere mention of his name in connection with the candidacy for this important office and the only reason for extending the notice further is for the information of the distant portion of the large district, comprising as it does, fifteen counties or nearly four hundred square miles. Aside from the qualifications of Mr. Dodge for the position we think we are entitled to the candidate from other considerations, among which is the fact of Stutsman county being located very near the geographical center of the district. The present incumbent, Mr. Ball, of Fargo, will not perhaps ask a re-nomination for the reason that Fargo now has the candidate for delegate to congress and it would, to say the least, look very unbecomingly for the enterprising and magnanimous city to ask or even receive the nomination of any of its citizens for the district attorneyship. The feeling between this town and Fargo has not been of the most fraternal kind for some years, but when the time for the nomination of a delegate to congress came, and Stutsman county had it in her power to politically make or unmake Fargo in her supreme moment of need and anxiety, our delegates magnanimously and heroically laid aside all feelings of jealousy and contention and practically gave Fargo the candidate for delegate—gave it to her by not withholding it as she had the power to do. The Alert does not suppose for a moment that now Fargo would countenance a strife of one of her citizens for the candidate for district attorney as against a candidate this county might present. The Alert has heard from a number of different localities in the district, and the suggestion of the candidacy of Mr. Dodge meets with very general favor, and we hope and expect that the Cass county delegation will not contest for the nomination, nor do we believe they will.

CITY WAYS.

The Utterfitted in Consultation at the Court House Last Night.

A Few Words to the Too Utterly Utter About Running a Newspaper.

The Utterfitted in Convention.

At the hour appointed for the meeting of the utterfitted democracy of Stutsman county in convention at the court house yesterday evening to which time it was postponed from Wednesday evening as at first called, an Alert reporter called down at the court house to make a record of the event for the delectation and edification of our readers this morning.

On arriving at the scene of the democratic concentration we found "war horses" Kelleher on the floor delivering a speech to the convention. There was plenty of democracy there, no question about that, for when Kelleher is out on the prairie alone a large proportion of the democratic party is there also. As before stated, there was plenty of democracy present but the democrats were more conspicuous for their absence than for their presence.

Mr. Kelleher had been appointed chairman of the meeting, and was in the midst of a speech that would have done credit to the chairman of a national convention, when the Alert scribe arrived. He spoke of the boasts made by the republicans that a nomination by their party was equivalent to an election and said it was for the democracy to say whether they would quietly bow to such an edict from the republican party. He dilated and elaborated upon the contest, and was somewhat pointed in his references to Fargo. Upon closing his philippic against Fargo the Chair announced the next order of business to be the appointment of a secretary and upon motion Geo. Brann was appointed.

The Chair then announced the next order of business of the convention to be the appointment of four delegates to represent Stutsman county in the democratic territorial convention to be held at Mitchell the 27th inst.

On motion the following gentlemen were unanimously elected as such delegates: D. M. Kelleher, Wm. Beidelman, S. K. McInnis and A. McKechnie.

At this point Mr. Kelleher arose and s'il plighting his faith and pledging his strong arm and stentorian voice for the cause of democracy, asked to be relieved from the duties of chairman of the committee, following this request with a recommendation of Hon. Wm. Beidelman that left no doubt upon the minds of the convention of the fitness of that gentleman for the position, among the strong points of which was that he had figured extensively in Pennsylvania politics, and was a thoroughbred in all the dark and devious ways of the science, and further, that he had not come to this country with a commission in his pocket; he knew what he was talking about, for he had searched his pockets, (but did not say what he was searching for.) The inference is, however, that he was searching for a commission—or something else, with a cork in it. After this recommendation, Hon. Wm. Beidelman was elected unanimously and with applause. Next came the appointment of a committeeman for each voting precinct, for which the following were selected: E. T. Kearney; James Town; Edward Fergus, Spiritwood; Henry Corwell, Eldridge; James Dun, Alsop. There was the question raised as to whether one of these committeemen was a democrat or not, when the Chair settled the question at once and forever to the entire satisfaction of the utterfitted present, by responding in an emphatic voice, "Yes, he is! I know he is, for I saw him taking his bitters." Upon those democratic credentials the member was accepted without another word of question.

In closing his retiring address, the eagle eye of the chairman caught sight of the Alert reporter, who had up to this time taken in the convention unobserved, when he said: "I see that a representative of the Alert is here, and I will say that so far the Alert has dealt fairly with us and generously published our notices, and all I ask of it is asking a good deal—is to tell the truth."

The meeting then adjourned, and the Alert presents the people this morning with a faithful and true report of the proceedings.

Give Us a Best.

Every little while the news comes to the Alert that Mrs. So-and-so, or Mr. So-and-so has been completely "broken up" on account of the appearance of a certain class of news in its columns. They seem to think it wrong for the Alert to mention Elmer's theater, unless it is to condemn it, or to speak well of any of its employes. Now the Alert would like to suit all its readers in every particular, and does not desire to offend any of them or to publish news that is in any way distasteful, but for the life of us we cannot see how we are going to always avoid it. Some of our readers are Baptists, some are Methodists, some are Presbyterians, and others Catholics. On the other hand we notice that a liberal share of our readers either have no religious proclivities at all or are democrats. Should we attempt to please any one of the different classes we have mentioned, we would be damned by all the rest, and who knows but what they might get their heads together and start another daily, and we are sure that if the Alert had to furnish news for a third party the whole community would feel bored. Now, dear kicking reader, try to be reasonable, and when you feel disposed to find fault with any little news items you may see in the Alert from time to time please just remember that the Alert is a newspaper; that it is its policy to publish everything obtainable that comes under the head of news, and some things that are not, providing they are paid for. There is not another paper in Dakota that takes more pleasure in publishing church news, or religious notices for a hundred and one different purposes, than **MORCE** does of it this same Alert

We do it for the same reasons that we have for publishing any other class of news; it is simply business and it is very seldom that we are ever thanked for doing so by the church folks or condemned by the saloon folks; and why should we be? If it were not for just such things our paper would not be complete. Now we hope all will understand our position and continue to read the Alert with a degree of pride, feeling that it is truly all it professes to be—a newspaper, not a factional sucking.

Temperance Meeting Last Night.

At a meeting of the Jamestown Temperance society held at the Presbytery church last night, quite a pleasant and enjoyable time was had.

The meeting was called to order about eight o'clock by the president, Mr. E. M. Sanford. The exercises were then opened by a very appropriate song, "Hold the Fort." The congregation was then led in prayer by the Rev. N. D. Fanning, after which speeches were made by the following gentlemen: Mr. Sanford, Rev. Mr. Fanning, Mr. I. C. Wade and Mr. Wilson, all of which were very right to the point. After this the constitution and pledge was read by the president who then signed it and extended an invitation to all present to do the same. Thirty-six ladies and gentlemen then went forward and placed their names to the pledge, pledging themselves to abstain and do all in their power to keep others from drinking any intoxicating drinks.

The meeting then adjourned to meet one week from next Sunday, the place of meeting to be settled on sometime between now and then, of which notice will be given. This is a good start for the society and may they succeed in establishing a society that will be a benefit to our town, is the wish of the Alert.

New Railroad Project.

A report is current that a railroad to extend from a point in Brown county, connecting with the Chicago and North Western line to the Devil's Lake country, intersecting the Manitoba railroad is being projected and meeting with every encouragement. The incorporators of the organization are men of wealth and influence and in the event the organization is perfected, the road will be pushed forward to rapid completion, the work of grading commencing close on the heels of the surveyors, who will proceed with the survey as soon as the company is fully organized. The country through which the proposed line is to run will be the choice of the beautiful James River Valley, and will open a section of country noted for its rich agricultural qualities. There will be a clause in the by-laws of the organization requiring that the offices of the general superintendent, general freight and ticket agent, master mechanic and the machine shops shall be located at Jamestown.

The name of the railroad will probably bear the euphonious title of the James River Valley railroad, which is certainly the most proper and beautiful name that it could be given. Gentlemen who are interested in the road have been traversing the country north and south, for the past two months selecting the most favorable route, and their selection is highly satisfactory to the officers and will undoubtedly be accepted, it being one that will require no heavy grades and expensive trestle and bridges.

For Sale.

Three good yoke of work oxen for sale. Inquire of Leo Newberry, at Pipestone bridge, one mile west of town. 3-11

\$5 to \$20 per day at home. Samples worth \$3. Address: Nelson, E. J. Cornard, Minn. 273

TAX LIST FOR 1880.

Notice is hereby given that all lands and lots in Stutsman County, D. T., on which taxes for the years 1878 and 1879 remain unpaid, will be sold for taxes interest, penalties and costs, and expenses of this notice, and such sale as pursuant to the provisions of the laws of this territory, commencing on Monday, October 21, 1882, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. and continue with adjournments from day to day until all the lands and lots, upon which said taxes remain unpaid are offered for sale as required by law. The following is a list of lands and lots in said county upon which taxes for said years remain unpaid and which will be sold and offered for sale, to-wit:

DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAX LIST FOR 1880.	Township 135, Range 62.	Township 135, Range 64.
Names	Unknown	Unknown
Description	all	all
Sec.	2	2
Acres	2.92	12.28
Assess	6.28	12.28
Unknown	all	all
Description	all	all
Sec.	2	2
Acres	1.56	3.23
Assess	3.23	6.28
Unknown	all	all
Description	all	all
Sec.	2	2
Acres	29.89	9.09
Assess	61.12	18.80
Unknown	all	all
Description	all	all
Sec.	31	31
Acres	64.0	12.80
Assess	128.00	25.60
Unknown	all	all
Description	all	all
Sec.	32	32
Acres	32.0	12.80
Assess	64.00	25.60
Unknown	all	all
Description	all	all
Sec.	33	33
Acres	32.0	12.80
Assess	64.00	25.60
Unknown	all	all
Description	all	all
Sec.	34	34
Acres	32.0	12.80
Assess	64.00	25.60
Unknown	all	all
Description	all	all
Sec.	35	35
Acres	32.0	12.80
Assess	64.00	25.60
Unknown	all	all
Description	all	all
Sec.	36	36
Acres	32.0	12.80
Assess	64.00	25.60
Unknown	all	all
Description	all	all
Sec.	37	37
Acres	32.0	12.80
Assess	64.00	25.60
Unknown	all	all
Description	all	all
Sec.	38	38
Acres	32.0	12.80
Assess	64.00	25.60
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Description	all	all
Sec.	39	39
Acres	32.0	12.80
Assess	64.00	25.60
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Description	all	all
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Acres	32.0	12.80
Assess	64.00	25.60
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Acres	32.0	12.80
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Acres	32.0	12.80
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Acres	32.0	12.80
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Acres	32.0	12.80
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Acres	32.0	12.80
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Description	all	all
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Acres	32.0	12.80
Assess	64.00	25.60
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Acres	32.0	12.80
Assess	64.00	25.60
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Description	all	all
Sec.	67	67
Acres	32.0	12.80
Assess	64.00	25.60
Unknown	all	all
Description	all	all
Sec.	68	68
Acres	32.0	12.80
Assess	64.00	25.60
Unknown	all	all
Description	all	all
Sec.	69	69
Acres	32.0	12.80
Assess	64.00	25.60
Unknown	all	all
Description	all	all
Sec.	70	70
Acres	32.0	12.80
Assess	64.00	25.60
Unknown	all	all
Description	all	all
Sec.	71	71
Acres	32.0	12.80
Assess	64.00	25.60
Unknown	all	all
Description	all	all
Sec.	72	72
Acres	32.0	12.80
Assess	64.00	25.60
Unknown	all	all
Description	all	all
Sec.	73	73
Acres	32.0	12.80
Assess	64.00	25.60
Unknown	all	all
Description	all	all
Sec.	74	74
Acres	32.0	12.80
Assess	64.00	25.