

NINETY DAYS FOR A WIFE BEATER

John Smith, Colored, Discolors the Optic of His White Wife.

MRS. SMITH HAD TRIFLED WITH HIS AFFECTIONS.

Arrived in Bemidji Just in Time to Prevent Her Marriage to Another.

John Smith, colored, was in police court this morning to answer to a charge of assault preferred by a white woman, whom he claims to be his wife, who gives her name as Lilly M. Easby. Smith pleaded guilty to the charge and Judge Reynolds sent him to the county jail for ninety days.

According to Smith's story he is employed as a waiter on the dining car service of the Northern Pacific out of Grand Forks and is legally married to the Easby person. A short time ago she deserted him, came to Bemidji and has been making her home with Peter Descham. Yesterday Smith came to Bemidji to claim his own and arrived just in time to stop Descham from procuring a marriage license to marry the woman. He was on his way to the court house when Smith stopped him. In the meantime the Easby woman disappeared and both men were looking for her until a late hour last night. Smith finally located her and in the family affair that followed he struck her over the eye inflicting a wound which necessitated several stitches.

Smith was arrested. The woman was in court this morning and presented a very sorry appearance. Owing to the fact that Smith pleaded guilty she was not asked to testify. She asserts that she is not Smith's wife and that she has never lived with him and that he is infatuated with her to the point of insanity and has menaced her for some time.

Hubbut Jr. is in Town.

Hubbut Jr., the speedy pacing gelding recently purchased of Thos. Nary by A. L. Crawford was delivered to Mr. Crawford yesterday, and is one of the handsomest animals owned in Bemidji. Crawford has placed the horse with Dan Fullerton for training for the present. Mr. Fullerton will fit him at once and he will be entered in the various events of the Northern driving circuit whose opening meeting will be held in Winnipeg some time in May.

Will Take Examination Soon.

Edward Crawford, who for some time past has been in the employ of Walker & Akeley has resigned his position and is now at his father's law office. Mr. Crawford will make application for admittance to the bar soon and will probably remain in Bemidji. He is a clever young gentleman with a very bright future, popular with many Bemidji friends and will begin his professional career with the best wishes of all.

WOMAN'S SORROW

Deserted By Her Husband Mrs. Cummings, of Mill Park, Lies Seriously Ill.

One of the most pitiable cases of want and suffering which has recently come to the attention of the county poor authorities was yesterday afternoon investigated by County Commissioner Wesley Wright. Mr. Wright was called to the O'Neil residence in Mill Park to investigate the case of a woman named Cummings. Until a short time ago the woman lived with her husband, who had been an employ of the Crookston Lumber company, at Mill Park. According to the story of the neighbors Mrs. Cummings was deserted by her husband about a month ago and was recently taken seriously ill. She was found in a pitiable and helpless condition by the neighbors and taken to the O'Neil residence to be cared for. Her condition last night was quite serious. This morning she was removed to the poor farm.

WANTS DAMAGES

Roderick McDonald Will Sue Mr. and Mrs. Edward Leonard of Tenstrike for Danages

Papers in a damage suit which makes Mr. and Mrs. Edward Leonard, of Tenstrike, defendants and in which Roderick McDonald, a woodsman, asks for the sum of \$2,000 damages from each defendant were filed by McDonald's attorney, Chester McKusick, this morning. The complaint alleges that McDonald was maliciously beaten by Leonard and his wife without just cause or provocation and that he sustained grave injury. The Leonard's conduct a saloon and restaurant at Tenstrike. The assault of which McDonald complains was committed on Feb. 12.

Bishop Morrison Coming.

Bishop Morrison of the Duluth diocese of the Episcopal church will hold services at the M. E. church Thursday evening. Mr. Morrison will arrive in the city on the noon train and requests all those who are interested in the organization of a church at this point to call at the Markham hotel, where a meeting for that purpose will be held. Services at the church at 8 o'clock p. m.

Chapter Four City Charter.

The charter commission attorneys, the Messrs. McKusick and Gibbons, are pushing the work of draughting the city charter as fast as possible. Mr. McKusick this morning finished chapter four of the charter and it has been submitted to the stenographer. It covers the specific and general powers of the city council.

Opened in Temporary Quarters.

W. H. Roberts, returned yesterday morning from Northome, where he had been to arrange for the opening of the Bank of Northome, the bank building having been destroyed by fire Saturday night. Arrangements have been made to open for business in temporary quarters and a new building will be put up at once.

FIRE RISKS EXTRA HAZARDOUS

City Council Takes Steps to Give City Better Fire Protection.

SIX PAID FIREMEN GO ON DUTY TONIGHT.

Will Be Stationed at City Hall and Will Be Ready to Instantly Answer Alarms.

At a special meeting of the city council held at the council rooms in the city hall yesterday afternoon it was decided that the fire risks of the city at the present time are more than usually hazardous, and steps were taken to give the city better fire protection.

The fire risk of the city was discussed at some length before the council by a number of citizens who were present, and various plans were suggested. Chief Geil of the fire department was present and suggested the plan which was finally adopted. Mr. Geil advocated the stationing of a number of firemen at the city hall all night. They would be ready to instantly answer alarms, he said, and he thought a greatly expedited service would result.

After some discussion Chief Geil's plan was adopted by the council, and it was decided to have six of the firemen sleep at the city hall where they will be ready at any time during the night to answer alarms.

The petition between the firemen's room and the justice room on the left of the corridor will be removed and the two fitted into comfortable sleeping apartment. Six men will be chosen from the membership of the fire department who will be required to be constantly at the hall during all of the night and no member will be allowed to be absent at any time without permission. The men are to be selected by Chief Geil and his selections will be approved by the council.

They will go on duty tonight and the present order of things will continue until such time as a change is deemed advisable.

Yesterday's meeting of the council also decided to buy 2,000 more feet of hose. The correspondence in the matter is being had by telegraph and negotiations for the purchase will be completed not later than tomorrow.

The council's arrangement will be generally appreciated as giving the city a very adequate fire protection at a minimum cost.

DEXTERS SHOOTING

John Ross Discharges Forty-four at Louis Vinje and Bullet Inflicts Scalp Wound.

Louis Vinje, a woodsman who has been working in the vicinity of Dexter, was in the city this morning on his way to Grand Rapids, where he goes to secure a warrant for the arrest of John Ross, a homesteader, charging him with assault with intent to kill.

Both men were in a saloon at Dexter Monday night and became involved in a dispute, Ross drew a forty-four Colts navy revolver and fired at Vinje. The shot grazed his forehead, inflicting a very bad scalp wound and the bullet buried itself in the of the saloon.

Vinje made an effort to get a warrant for Ross' arrest at Northome but was unsuccessful and has now decided to take the matter up with the county authorities at Grand Rapids.

To Quarantine Logging Camp.

Dr. Blakeslee left this afternoon for the Wilson logging camp near Mallard Lake, to close the camp under smallpox quarantine. A woodsman, who arrived this morning and is ill of smallpox came from Wilson camp yesterday and necessitates the doctor's action.

AT THE BAZAAR

New Laces
New Embroideries
New Muslin Underwear
New Gingham
New Wash Goods
New Wool Dress Goods
New Trimmings
New Lace Curtains
New Hair Ornaments
New Belts
New Chatelain Bags

Our Spring Goods

are coming; some are here; balance on the way.

The Lumbermen

A. C. McLean returned yesterday from a trip to Boy Bay, where he had just finished letting the contract for hauling 20,000 ties to Samuel Simpson, who has just finished his logging operations in that section.

Bert Gray, yesterday closed his camp north of Solway. Mr. Gray has been contracting for the Crookston Lumber company and has just finished landing a cut of a million and a half.

R. E. White, the well known

lumberman, was in the city last night. Mr. White states that the winter's work in the woods is nearing a very satisfactory completion. The White camp on the Sandy river will be one of the first to go out, and is expected to break up about the first of March.

McLean & Mackey, who recently took a contract to get out all the cedar, tamarack and balsam on 8,000 acres in the vicinity of Tenstrike, have three camps in at present and are working 150 men. They expect to put in two more camps in the near future which will employ about fifty men each.

John O'Neil, head clerk for the

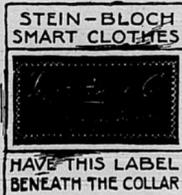
J. A. Irvine Co., is in the city today. The Irvine Company expects to close five of its six camps within the next twenty days and has had one of the most successful winters it has ever had in the woods. The Pine Island camp will be continued as long as the weather conditions make it possible to maintain it.

A Short Letter from Kansas.

Tredick & Co., of Kingman, Kansas, write:—We have known Warner's White Wine of Tar Syrup for a number of years.

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