

## FREIGHTS CRASH AT LENGBY

Extra West and East Bound Way Freights Meet on Main Line.

ENGINEER MURRAY OF EXTRA SUSTAINS SLIGHT INJURY.

Engines and Cars Demolished and All Traffic Tied Up Since 8:30 Last Night.

An extra west bound freight and the east bound local way freight collided at Lengby at 8:30 last night. Several cars of merchandise were derailed and both engines were badly damaged. Engineer Murray of the extra freight sustained slight injuries in jumping.

The collision was the result of confusion regarding a meeting order at Lengby. The local held the main line and the crew were unloading way freight. The engineer of the extra expected the way freight to take the siding, and whistled off before the east end switch was reached. As soon as the mistake was discovered the brakes were applied and the engine reversed, but the train could not be gotten under control in time to avert the disaster. Both engine crews jumped.

The engine of the extra was of the 1100 type, the largest in use on the Great Northern and the way freight engine was a mogul of the 500 type. Both were badly damaged.

The wrecking outfits from Carman and Cass Lake went to the scene at once and have been busy clearing the line ever since. All traffic in both directions was tied up at the wreck until one o'clock today. No. 29, east bound due in Bemidji at 12:34 last night did not arrive here until 2:30 today and was run as first No. 14. The west bound train cleared the wreck about noon.

Lengby is about thirty-five miles west of Bemidji and had been designated as the meeting point for the two trains by an order received at one of the stations west of here by the extra. The crews of both trains have been called to Crookston for an investigation and discharges will no doubt result. Just who the blame will be fixed upon does not seem to be plain at present.

### Ready for the Firemen.

The sleeping apartments of the firemen at the city hall have been fixed up and are now ready for occupancy. The floors have been neatly carpeted, the interiors of the rooms redecorated and the apartments present a very cozy appearance. Beds are provided for six men. Those who have already gone on duty are Erton Geil, Mike Downs and George Fleming.

### Renovating the County Jail.

The annual spring house cleaning has begun at the county jail. The interior is being repainted as well as all the cells and the cell rooms are being kalsomined. The work is being done by the prisoners and the expense to the county will be nominal.

### SPECIAL CLASSES

Classes in Shorthand from 9 to 10 p. m., Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

Some hours on Wednesday for Bookkeeping.

These classes are for the benefit of clerks and others who cannot come during usual hours.

CONWAY'S COMMERCIAL COLLEGE

### Skinvik Did It.

Yesterday was a gala day in Judge Skinvik's court. Cow cases were relegated to the rear not a single drunk intruded upon the serenity and dignity of the court and late in the afternoon as the sun began to sink into the west after a perfect winter's day and the court meditated on the glory of the days of good King Oscar two couple appeared at the office of hizzoner and asked that he perform the marriage ceremony. The court laid aside its pipe and got busy. All dignity attended the occasion and when the machinery of the court was finally stopped Hannah Hedien and Anton Wicklund of Blackduck and Edward A. Feldman and Clara Iverson had said their marriage vows and received the paternal blessings of the court and the congratulations of the witnesses. When it comes to marriage ceremonies, there is no dignity like that that Judge Skinvik brings to the occasion.

### Waterworks Frozen Up.

Serious interruption to the water service of the city is being experienced at present owing to the freezing up of the pipes in some sections of the city. The frost is deeper in the ground at present than during any time for many years and Street Commissioner Pogue is kept busy looking after the numerous complaints that come to his office. Digging up the pipes and thawing them out is quite an expensive operation and as the frost is steadily going down in the ground and has already attained a depth of seven feet much more trouble is anticipated.

### Charge Explained Away.

James Vinning, the Kelliher man, accused of irregular connection with a check for \$156 which he had cashed at the First National Bank yesterday morning satisfactorily explained away everything in connection with the matter this morning. The check had been turned over to him by a man named Benson to secure payment and he had merely complied with the request. The bank had been investigating. His story was found to be correct. The court imposed a fine of \$5 and he was released from custody.

### Wolves in the City Limits.

Yesterday morning as Mr. Ellingson, the day operator at the Great Northern crossing tower was going to work at 6:30 he found himself confronted by a large timber wolf. Ben Bishop, the night operator had seen the two animals cross Lake Irwin from the direction of the brickyard, and after enjoying Mr. Ellingson's predicament for a short time went out and succeeded in frightening the animal away. It had taken up a station near the tower house on the railroad track and did not show any disposition to move.

### Contract Not Awarded.

The purchase of 2,000 feet of hose was the principal business before the regular meeting of the city council Monday night. A representative of the Marshall-Wells Hardware Co. was present and submitted some samples to the council. Contrary to expectations the contract was not awarded at Monday night's meeting and the council will ask for the submission of additional samples and make further investigation before it does anything definite in the matter.

### Have Wrong Impression.

County Auditor Sylvester reports that a number of the town clerks have a wrong impression of an election law passed by the last legislature, which provides that common school districts comprising twenty or more towns must elect a superintendent of schools. This law was passed to cover a contingency in Cass county and does not in any way apply to Beltrami county.

## BOOK SHOWER IS PLANNED

Ladies Library Association Announces a Unique Undertaking.

SHOWER TO BE HELD WEDNESDAY EVENING, MARCH 9.

Hoped That the Plan Will Swell the Number of Books in the Library.

The Ladies Library association have planned a unique entertainment in the nature of a book shower to be held at the city hall Wednesday evening, March 9.

The object of the shower is to interest all the people of the city in the attempt which is being made to build up a public library and to give every one an opportunity of contributing something toward the library. Almost every one has a book or two or three or more which they would probably willingly donate toward a public library if given the chance. This shower gives the chance.

At the book shower a program will be rendered and a lunch will be served. The admission will be one or more books. The scheme has proved a great success in other cities and there is no reason why it should not so prove here.

The use of the opera house has been kindly donated by Mr. Wheelock for the occasion and the Bemidji stringed orchestra has also donated its services and the occasion will doubtless be one of the events of the season.

### A Short Letter from Kansas.

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## Our Spring Goods

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

### Library Benefit.

The pupils of the Bemidji schools will give an entertainment at the City opera house Friday evening for the benefit of the high school library fund. A carefully prepared program, which has been under rehearsal for some time, will be rendered. There will be drill, tableaux, a cantata, declamations and a number of other features. The object of the entertainment should warrant the most liberal patronage and it will no doubt be cheerfully accorded. The admission will be 25, 35 and 50 cents.

### Ladies' Reading Club.

The Ladies' Reading club met Monday afternoon at the home of

Mrs. Boss. The members answered to roll call with the usual short papers on current topics. Mrs. Black read an interesting paper on "Ralph Connor and His Works" and Miss Adelia Bright gave a paper on "The Panama Canal." Refreshments were served. The next meeting of the club will be held at the home of Mrs. Wm. McCuaig.

### Seriously Ill.

Word reaches Bemidji that Fred Tyson, who recently went to Hot Springs, Ark., is very seriously ill and his life is despaired of. His wife, who is now at Walker, received a telegram summoning her to his bedside the first of the week.

### Bargain Day.

One day only, Saturday, February 27, subscriptions will be accepted to the Pioneer for \$1 for six months.

### A Word of Advice to the Public.

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