

## MAY LOOSE BOTH EYES

Accident Sustained by Woodsman May Result in His Total Blindness.

### SPLINTER FROM WEDGE STRUCK EYEBALL.

Probability That Sympathetic Inflammation of Other Eye Will Set In.

Peter Odegaard, a woodsman employed near Kelliher by Irwin & O'Brien, was brought to the city this morning suffering with an eye which had been rendered useless by a splinter from a wedge which he was driving into the saw cut of a tree. The splinter flew off the wedge while Odegaard was driving the wedge into the cut and struck him fairly in the eye, splitting the eyeball and rendering the member entirely useless.

He was examined by a local physician but nothing could be done to save the injured eye, and it is very probable that the other optic will become affected sympathetically and the sight of both eyes lost forever.

Odegaard is married and has one child. His home is at Thief River Falls, where he is employed during the summer time at the sawmill in that city.

## SCHOOL BOARD SUED FOR \$400

Fergus Falls Manufacturing Co. Sues to Secure Payment For Material.

A meeting of the school board of the independent district of Bemidji was held at the president's office in the school house last night and it was decided at the meeting to take a change of venue from the district court of Ottertail county to the district court of Beltrami county in an action brought by the Fergus Falls Mfg Co. who claim damages in the sum of \$400 for material furnished to Contractor Frank Miller in the fall of 1903 during the construction of the second addition to the high school building. The grounds upon which the suit is instituted are that the school board did not require the contractor to furnish a sufficient bond to protect parties who furnished material for the addition, and consequently are responsible for the amount. The matter will be fought in the courts and Chester McKusick has been retained by the school board as its attorney.

A colony of Bohemians will be settled near Wilton in the spring. They will use Barlow's Best.

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## WILL BRING A TEST CASE

Roseau Citizens Will Test Law Governing Rights of Homesteaders.

Because the present provisions of the interior department rulings will not allow him to make a selection of Red Lake Indian lands, according to his own ideas but confine him to the schedule and chart of descriptions arranged before the last auction sale, Even H. Oftelle, a prominent resident of Roseau county will begin a test case to determine whether or not the interior department officials have the power to enact such legislation, thereby depriving the prospective homesteader from settling upon land which he desires.

When seen yesterday in this city, in regard to his test case, Mr. Oftelle said: "Yes, I shall take the matter into the higher circles of the interior department and find out where the homesteader is at. The provisions now existing in regard to Red Lake homesteads make a choice by fractions impossible for the intending homesteader. He must either take the whole lump of land scheduled, be it 120 or 160 acres, or he must go without. In many cases similar to my own, a homesteader finds one forty acres of good soil attached to one tract scheduled, and another small within the confines of an adjoining scheduled homestead. As a rule the homesteader is looking out for himself and he wants to unite the two good tracts and cut out the remainder in his application for filing. This, under existing rules, is denied him, and he has to take one or the other of the claims upon which he found good soil; the poor land coming along with the bargain at \$4 per acre."

## STOLE A MARCH ON ALL BAGLEY

Popular Young People at Bagley Are Married Very Slyly.

Mr. Henry Huseby, cashier of the First National bank of Bagley was married last evening at Bagley to Miss Sarah Moen, a popular young lady of that village, and the young couple made a complete get-away before any of their numerous friends realized what was happening. Both bride and groom are exceptionally popular in Bagley, and although their engagement has been known for some time there was no suspicion among their friends that they contemplated marriage at the present time. Mr. and Mrs. Huseby came to Bemidji last evening and went south this morning for a short trip.

It is safe to say that there will be doings when they return to Bagley.

## TUBERCULOSIS CAUSE OF DEATH

Mrs. A. P. Ritchie Died Last Night at Elk River After Long Illness.

Mrs. A. P. Ritchie, wife of Superintendent Ritchie of the city schools of Bemidji, died at Elk River last night after a long illness. Tuberculosis was the cause of death. Mrs. Ritchie had been ailing for a number of years, and although it was thought she would survive for a longer period, her death was not a surprise. Mr. Ritchie was present at her bedside at the time of her death. The remains will be interred in the cemetery at Elk River, but as yet the date for the funeral has not been announced.

**Tax Collections Slow.**  
County Auditor French reports that so far collections of taxes upon realty within the county have been very slow and that the prospects are that a large amount will not be paid by Jan. 1, when a penalty of five per cent will be added. The taxes to which the penalty will be added were due Jan. 1, 1904, and unless paid by March 1 will be placed in the hands of the sheriff for collection.

**Masquerade Ball.**  
A masquerade ball will be given Saturday night at Glidden's hall at Nymore and all are cordially invited to be present. Good music will be furnished and a good time is expected. Valuable prizes will be awarded to those with the most ludicrous costume as well as to those whom the judges select as wearing the neatest.

The Red Cross is coming.

## MORE CASH THAN EVER

Men Will Return From Woods Next Spring With a Big Wad.

ARE STAYING BY THEIR JOBS BETTER THAN EVER BEFORE.

Weather is Unexcelled for Skidding and Work is Progressing Favorably.

"When the men return from the woods next spring," said W. A. Gould of the logging department of the Crookston Lumber company, "they will come with a bigger bunch of money than for several years. The men are staying by their work better this year than for several years past, if not better than ever before. Wages range from \$20 to \$40 per month and are fully as high as have been paid at any time in this section with the exception of three years ago. Work in the camps are progressing very satisfactorily. There never was finer weather for skidding than we are having now and every camp is making the most of it."

Loggers generally are very well satisfied with the conditions. All the larger camps have ice ways made and while a light fall of snow would help, the absence of snow is not serious with them. The smaller loggers who cannot afford to make ice roads are very anxious to see snow.

Robert Neving is in the city today from Neving and reports logging operations progressing nicely in that vicinity. Bernard & Gorder are putting in about ten million feet near Neving this season.

When the men returned from the west this fall they had but little money, but loggers generally agree with Mr. Gould that the men will be more liberally supplied with cash next spring than for some years.

## WOODSMEN QUARANTINED

County Health Officers Find Seven Cases of Smallpox East of Blackduck.

County Health Officer F. A. Blakeslee returned this morning from a cedar camp situated near the Itasca county line east of Blackduck, where he established quarantine over seven cases of smallpox. The camps composed only of seven men, who are all afflicted with the disease, and it will remain closed until the regular quarantine period has passed. An attempt was made by one of the men to make his get-away but he was caught in Itasca county by the health officer after a drive of several miles and brought back to the camp, where he will remain until released by the proper authorities.

All Still Alive.

The victims of the boiler explosion are still alive at St. Anthony's hospital, although the condition of three of them has not changed materially either for the better or worse. Relatives of the injured men were allowed in the ward where confined for a short time yesterday afternoon, but as yet Eikstadt and the two Brewers have not sufficiently recovered from the shock of the explosion to talk rationally. The burns sustained by the men are worse at first expected and it is doubtful whether either of the three men who are most badly hurt will recover.

**Firemen Still Lead.**  
Recorder H. W. Bailey this morning counted the votes in the piano contest and the Firemen again show a strong lead. The vote this morning was as follows: Firemen 4416, Catholic church 1230, blanks 2. No additional votes have been received for any other societies since the last count.

**Size Up Situation.**  
Senator Svvedback is in St. Paul where he went yesterday afternoon on a matter of business. He will improve the opportunity to talk with members of the legislature many of whom rendezvous at the capitol city at present regarding legislation this winter and will size up the senatorial situation.

**Christened Last Night.**  
The two children of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Geil, who are a year old, were christened last night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geil, Rev. McLeod officiating. A number of friends attended the christening and refreshments were served to ten.

Read the Daily Pioneer.

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### Dissolution of Partnership.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership existing between Knute E. Westrem and J. A. Bilden under the firm name of Westrem & Bilden, at Wilton, Minn., has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. All outstanding accounts are payable to J. A. Bilden who also assumes and will pay all liabilities contracted by said firm.

Dated this 15th day of December, 1904.  
KNUTE E. WESTREM.  
J. A. BILDEN.

### Roof Is On.

Work on the repairs to the Swedback Block is progressing rapidly. About fifteen men are employed. The work of putting on a new roof was completed yesterday so that further operations can be conducted without fear of snow. The arrangement of the building will be practically the same as before.

### Funeral Tomorrow.

The funeral of William Eikstadt, the boy who was killed in the recent disastrous boiler explosion east of the city, will be held tomorrow afternoon from the family residence and the remains will be interred in the Frohn township cemetery.

### PLACED BEFORE THE SENATE.

House Committee Reports Action on Judge Swayne's Case.

Washington, Dec. 15.—When the senate convened it was understood that before the close of the day it would be called upon to take cognizance of the decision of the house of representatives to begin impeachment proceedings against Federal Judge Charles Swayne of the Northern district of Florida. Apparently the senate had not counted upon being so confronted with this problem, so that when a few moments before the hour of meeting the house committee appeared at the vice president's room to confer with President Pro Tem. Frye there was a general scurrying about on the part of the officials to find precedents and to make preparation for the ceremony, the like of which had not been witnessed in the senate chamber since the proceedings of 1876 against Secretary Belknap.

A brief informal exchange of views as to the time when the senate should take up the case ensued. It was suggested that the trial might be postponed until next March 4 next or even until the next session of congress. After the house committee had retired Mr. Platt (Conn.) presented a resolution directing that "the message of the house of representatives relative to impeachment of Charles Swayne" be referred to a select committee to consist of five senators to be appointed by the president pro tem. The resolution was agreed to.

### HOUSE SESSION BRIEF.

Motion to Discuss Consular Reorganization Bill Lost.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Immediately after the house met Mr. Jenkins (Wis.), from the committee on the judiciary, reported back the resolutions recently introduced by Mr. Baker (N. Y.) demanding an inquiry into the so called steel trust, with the recommendation that the resolution lie on the table. The recommendation of the committee was adopted.

### GETS \$10,000 FOR KIND ACT.

Nashville Hotel Clerk Rewarded for Helping Old Man.

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 15.—Houston Bond, a clerk in a local hotel, has received a certified check from Evansville, Ind., for \$10,000. Four years ago an old gentleman fell on the sidewalk in front of the hotel and was severely injured. Mr. Bond went to his assistance, lifted him from the ground and carried for him until he had recovered. The check is the sequel. Mr. Bond would not disclose the name of the man who sent the check.

### JEWS BUYING UP GRAIN.

Sell it in Russia at Three Times Cost Price.

Kishineff, Dec. 15.—The district zemstvo has voted \$105,000 to purchase bread and to open warehouses for the sale of flour and grain to the distressed at a cost price, as the Jews are buying up all the grain in the vicinity and reselling it at three times its cost. The zemstvo proposes to limit the sale of supplies to individuals to 200 pounds.

### British Mission Arrives at Kabul.

Peshawar, British India, Dec. 15.—The British mission to Afghanistan, headed by Louis Dano, foreign secretary of the Indian government, arrived safely and in good health at Kabul Dec. 12.

Very Cold in New York State.  
Saratoga, N. Y., Dec. 15.—Temperatures ranging from 10 to 25 degs. below zero were reported from various points in this section of the state during the day.

# SANTA IS HERE

A chance of a life time for old and young to purchase Christmas Presents.

Our Holiday Goods are displayed on tables in the center of our store and one glance will show that our Holiday Counters are not only covered with Toys but are laden with useful goods of all descriptions such as Fancy Handkerchiefs, Valuable Furs of All Kinds, Ladies' Fancy Belts, and the largest assortment of Combs ever shown in this city.

## The Bazaar Department Store.

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### Eagles Install.

An installation of the officers of the local aerie of Eagles was held last night and a large number of the members of the order were in attendance. After the installation exercises were concluded a supper was served which was enjoyed by all.

Mr. A. R. Kane, a prominent druggist of Baxter Springs, Kansas, says: "Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets are, in my judgement, the most superior preparation of anything in use today for constipation. They are sure in action and with no tendency to nauseate or gripe. For sale by Bakers Drug Store.

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<p>Men's \$12 and \$15 Suit values; real Scotch materials, single and double breasted in this season's newest styles \$10</p>	<p>Men's \$20 Suit values; beautiful, fancy worsteds and Scotch plaids; strong-wearing hand-tailored Suits \$15</p>	<p>HOLIDAY GOODS AT PURSE-PLEASING PRICES</p> <p>We have placed on sale thousands of dollars worth of everything that is new and proper for Xmas. Our prices will prove a revelation to the Bemidji Public.</p> <p>Smoking Jackets, Neckwear, Fancy Hosiery, Fancy Suspenders, Handkerchiefs, Gloves, Dress Shirts, Bath Robes, Mufflers, Night Robes, Underwear, Seap Caps, Pajamas, Cloth Caps.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Selections made now can be delivered later.</p>