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SEBASTIAN HENDRICKS SUICIDES

Man Found in a Lavatory at the Rear of the Reporter Office With Throat and Wrists Cut With Dull Knife—Taken to Jail Where he Dies.

Sebastian Hendricks, a working man about forty years of age, committed suicide by cutting his throat and wrists in a terrible manner in a lavatory at the rear of the Reporter office, shortly before four o'clock Thursday afternoon. He was found a few minutes after he had done the deed by Ray Hopkins, one of the printers in the Reporter office. Frank Tyler, Geo. Griffin and John Corbett rushed to the scene and drew the dying man and the light. His clothes were covered with blood and he had a hoary looking appearance. Dr. Crotat was called at once and found the man dying. Two big gashes were made in his throat with a dull jack knife, the small blade scarcely more than two inches long, being used. The jugular vein was severed. His wrists were cut deep and the wounds alone there were enough to cause his death. He was unconscious when found and it was thought he would die before regaining consciousness. He was taken to the city jail at once and Dr. Crotat administered to him giving him stimulants. In this manner he revived wonderfully and was able to tell his name. He said he had a brother named Joe living at Washburn. He further stated that he had done the rash deed with suicidal intent but gave no reason for it. He said he was a single man. He raged for several minutes, it required the combined strength of Chief of Police Kimball and Judge Murray to hold him. He prayed to Jesus to have mercy on him and moaned and cried pitifully before he died.

The man had been seen about town for a couple days before he cut his throat. He called at the home of Lawrence Husby in the morning and asked for money saying he had a wife and child in Norway and he wished to raise money to carry him there. He

also called at the home of Judge Murray asking for money. He had been drinking heavily. A little money was found in his pockets. He had been smoothly shaven and wore a light colored mustache. His clothes were those of a working man but were neat.

The Independent Complimented.

This paper is in receipt of a letter from the F. A. Patrick & Co., dry goods wholesale house of Duluth which is represented here by that popular traveling man Col. A. D. McGill. That the Patrick company is satisfied with the Independent and the results derived from the add they carry in it, is easily to be seen from the following letter:

Ward County Independent,
Minot, North Dak.,
Gentlemen:

We would like to have you add two words to our advertisement in your paper, so that the same would read The New Wholesale Dry-Goods House instead of as it is at the present time. We have adopted this expression, which we purpose to use for a year or so in all our advertising matter.

The add meets with our approval in every way and we take this opportunity of complimenting you on your paper and also its ever increasing circulation.

Yours truly,
F. A. PATRICK & Co.

F. W. Amsler Leaves Minot.

G. A. Bissell, of Larimore, an electrician, arrived in Minot Friday to take the position at the electric light plant made vacant by F. W. Amsler who will go to Kenmare to work in a mine as an electrician. Mr. Bissell comes highly recommended. Mr. Amsler has been a capable man and his place will be hard to fill.

Frost Thursday Night.

The first frost of any account this season was noticeable early morning. Bank is un-

WHAT ONE WOMAN CAN DO

With a Hoe and a Rake—How Miss Mattie Allen of Buford Reservation Cultivated Four and a Half Acres of Garden With Great Success.

The product of one of the "desert claims" of the famous Fort Buford reservation, may be seen in the window of the Independent office. The vegetables were raised on the claim contested by Miss Mattie Allen, one of the pluckiest young women of North Dakota. Miss Allen put in and cultivated—what little it was necessary to cultivate it, four and one half acres of vegetables, the finest we have seen. Last May she hired the ground plowed and harrowed. She did the rest. Armed with a rake and a hoe and packages of seed, she would toil in her garden every day putting in, little thinking she would meet with the great success which she did. The onion seed was simply sown after the ground was plowed, and harrowed once afterwards. The potatoes were planted on the sod and covered with the plow. Miss Allen dug twenty large potatoes from one hill.

She planted the Early Ohio seed and did not touch the patch from the time she put in the seed, until she went to dig the potatoes. Cucumbers, pumpkins, carrots, corn, all grew unattended. She secured a 25 pound pumpkin from her patch which was not done growing. Corn fully matured will average well. The ears are round and large. She has an acre and a quarter of the corn. Large beets, the seed of which was raked into a plowed ground, rewarded her for her trouble. A head of cabbage as solid as a brick was the result of sowing a little seed. Miss Allen will sell her vegetables this fall and will add considerable to her bank account. More girls might follow her example. She is independent and contented.

Ten Acres of Trees.

R. C. Blume, who has the handsomest farm north of town, told the Independent man how he planted that fine grove of cottonwood trees near his house. He bought a thousand trees from the Williams nursery at Bismarck for one dollar and paid twenty-five cents freight for them. He took a pick and going to ground which had been broken the year before, made small holes. In this manner he was able to plant the trees with very little labor and in such a manner that but six of them died. The trees are growing finely this season and will soon serve for shade and a wind break. He has had such good success, that next year he will plant ten acres of the trees, putting them eight feet apart. He thinks that many farmers are making a mistake because they do not take a day or two each year to put in trees. His neighbor, Mrs. H. G. Detlaff last spring planted with a pick a thousand trees in one day. The trees should always be planted in the spring.

Women Chase Men With Axes and Pitchforks.

While John Gable, John Sanderson and L. B. Jolliff, three farmers from the Fort Buford reservation, were here last week, fighting a contest case in which they are contesting "desert claims" taken up by Clifford and McDonald for the Prouty Commission Co., Andrew Nohle's haying crew was sent to their claims to cut the hay. A deed of this kind had been looked for and the husbands gave their wives orders to let no one touch any of the products of their land. The haying crew had no sooner got to work than the women armed with axes and pitchforks rushed at the men, who were glad enough to escape with their lives. They were last seen going towards the hills to make hay.

Vandals at the Leland.

Vandals visited the gentlemen's toilet room at the Leland hotel Wednesday night and destroyed many things therein. There were three of them—young men well known in Minot and the Independent at this time will not divulge their names. This is not the

time things have been destroyed in the Leland hotel and the nefarious work is always done by someone who is not a guest of the place. On this occasion the comb, a fine aluminum one, was broken, the nickle plated soap dishes torn from their fastenings, knobs stolen from the plumbing apparatus and obscene words written over the looking glasses. Officers accused the rascals of the deed the following day and were told by them that they were willing to replace the broken articles.

Ward County Crops.

Threshing is well under way and the various reports show that in many localities flax is turning out rather lightly—from five to twelve bushels to the acre. Considering the low price of flax, about 80 cents a bushel, it will not be a very paying crop this year and the farmers are likely to plant more oats, speltz, wheat, barley etc., next season. Oats are turning out far worse than the farmers expected. Wheat is a very good crop. Taken as a whole, the farmers will fare quite well, and will have more than enough to live on.

Traveled 180,000 Miles.

Peter Wallinder, an old time Minot boy who formerly worked in the Great Northern shops here has just returned from an extended trip to England, Ireland, Scotland, Germany, France, Denmark, Norway and Sweden. Mr. Wallinder says he has traveled over a hundred and eighty thousand miles during the past six months and has visited many ancient and interesting places in the several countries through which he has passed. He has some good stories to tell about foreign people and their way of living and doing business.

Bostonians in Minot.

A party of 100 Bostonians, G. A. R. men and their wives, stopped in Minot several hours Friday morning. They were on their way home from a trip through California and British Columbia. They were all very much interested in Minot and declared that we have one of the best towns along the line. We who live here, know that we have. While we may not be quite as classical as the representatives of the educational center of the world, we can show them a few things about raising grains and vegetables which can even open the eyes of the residents of the "baked bean" town.

Farmers From the East.

Homeseekers have begun coming in from the eastern states and are looking for places of abode in this northern paradise. The great crops of Ward county have been heard of all over the United States and men with money are coming here to buy farms. We can buy just as good land for ten or twelve dollars an acre here as they can get in the east for one hundred dollars an acre, they are not slow to take advantage of the good deals. Land is bound to take a boom within the next month and the boom will be one which will last.

List is Growing.

The number of subscribers to the Ward County Independent is rapidly increasing, more than a hundred having been added last week. We mention this simply to let our merchants know what we are doing that they may realize that advertising pays in this paper. We are credited with putting out the best dollar weekly in the western part of the state and the farmers are not slow to recognize this fact. The writer visited Glenburn Saturday and added 24 names to our list there.

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