

Round the State

The Maxton fibre mill is making a success.

Jens Peterson, of Bowbells, will crop 900 acres next season.

Two cases of small pox at Wiliston, but the town is well quarantined.

Doubybrook has a rural free delivery route and the Mirror claims the credit for it.

County Auditor Larson states that Ward county has quadrupled in wealth in four years.

The statements of Kenmare banks show that plenty of money is made around those parts.

Guy L. Scott has purchased the share of the Lansford Times from his partner, John Schmitzler.

Frank W. Rohrabacher living north of Renville has 2,800 bushels of flax from this season's crop.

One hundred and seventy-five carpenters are working at Minot on the numerous improvements.

The Kenmare Diamond Coal Co. was awarded the medal for having the best coal exhibited at the state fair.

The total insurance on the court house and furnishings of Cass county which were burned was \$59,000.

Nearly every town in the western part of the state the creamery fever. A pretty good disease to have.

Mrs. Huvstad, of Cofax, after digging a hole and partially burying herself, committed suicide by cutting her throat.

The Nelson fight fifteen round fight at Bowbells was counted a draw. Frost bit his thumb in the seventh round.

Miss Mamie Clay, superintendent of schools of Billings county, was married last week to Fred Chahelin, of Sand Creek.

The Jamestown Alert is running a good sized ad for the T. M. Roberts supply house, presumably to wake up the merchants.

It is thought the coal mines at Arpio will be open by the first of the year and the industry is expected to be a good one for the city.

Deer hunters near Ashley, Wis., killed twelve head of cattle for one farmer in a day recently. The hunters were from the city which explains it.

The News suggests that the Kenmare band sell their instruments to the Minot High school band as the Kenmarites seemingly have no use for them.

During the last week of navigation on the Missouri, Capt. Grant Marsh made three trips from Mannheim to Washburn with 12,000 bushels of grain.

Pearl Keys, a young man from Velsa, started on skates to make a trip on the lake and has not been seen since. It is feared that he skated into an air hole.

Howard Osborn watched the movements of Bro. MaKee's cylinder press at Portal to his sorrow. His overcoat caught in the ink fountain ruining that garment.

Ward county has 24 newspapers, the largest number of any county in the state. Cass county has 23. Kidder, Logan, Mercer and Oliver counties each have but one.

The wealthy citizen at Harvey ran away to Canada by the way of Portal with a Harvey dressmaker leaving his family. His wife has recovered \$63,000 worth of the property.

Judge Cowan scored the Barry jury for not reaching a verdict. He might as well scold nature for not making all men see alike. Cowan wants things to go his way—generally.

Chicago stock commission men have been sending sheep to farms near Buffalo each fall to eat the stubble. The sheep clean out the noxious weeds and fertilize the land and grow fat as well.

Four rural mail routes were started from Kenmare last week. Minot might get one or two more if the farmers would take enough interest in it and petition the government in the right way.

While thousands of acres of land is overpastured in this part of North Dakota, there are many acres of the finest grazing land in the world going to waste east of the Missouri. It has been suggested that money might be made by shipping cattle to those points or half the year, putting up only portable cabin for the herders.

Fritz Mutschler, of Stutsman county has returned to Germany where he came from 33 years ago. This was the first time he rode on a train since coming to Stutsman county 18 years ago.

A caboose on the Northern Pacific was burned near Medina. A lamp exploded and the conductor rushed to the platform and set the brakes, but the fire had gotten too good a start.

J. H. Southerland, a Lansford grain buyer, was arrested and taken to Granville on the charge of stealing Jerry Monda's dog. He settled the case by paying the costs, claiming that the dog followed him home.

Lydia McGregor, a McKinney girl, turned up missing at the Globe Hotel, St. Paul. It was reported that she was seen near McKinney a few days later. She is only seventeen years old and her parents are alarmed.

Juror Tucker, of Glen, didn't know his own county. He was asked how long he had lived in Marion county and replied, "I don't know where Marion county is." Often some dumb heads are placed on the jury.

Minot fishermen are making big hauls through holes in the ice on Mouse river. Pickeral mainal are caught and they are nice ones. The fishermen cut small holes in the ice and drop a hook baited with steak.

Near Buford a portion of a hangman's knot and a white man's skull were found. They are relics of the early 80's when the white man who was too free with his butcher knife or branding iron used to disappear. No questions were asked, but times have changed some.

W. J. Hawke, the bonanza farmer of Buffalo, has on his farm several Welsh cattle crossed with Shorthorns. The result is his cattle are exceedingly large. One cow six years old weighs 1,965 pounds. The cows so mixed are good milkers as well as great meat cattle.

North Dakota is moving to Illinois. A car load of dirt is being taken from Edmond county to Rockford, Ill., and sprinkled over a small patch of ground. Next spring garden seeds will be sown on the dirt to demonstrate the superiority of North Dakota soil. Won't those suckers open their eyes tho.

Some grain is raised in the western part of this state. At Westhove, a new town in Bottineau county 300 loads of grain were lined up at once last Friday morning and one man who got there early Friday morning with his load did not get a chance to unload it until Saturday night.

Here is a chance for some good factory to start in the western part of the state. The Northern Pacific Refrigerator Car Co., offers free of charge to some responsible party, their immense slaughter house and ice houses at Medora, providing there is some industry is started therein.

A young girl thirteen or fourteen years old was forced by her father to marry a man at Wilton. Her lover swore that she was eighteen years of age. They were married and it is thought that the girl wedded the man through fear of her father. They are Russians. An investigation will be made.

Senator Hansbrough will introduce a bill in Congress in a few days to make a new land district in North Dakota by dividing the Bismarck district in nearly two equal parts. The district is nearly twice as large as any other in the state and the increased number of filings makes a division almost necessary.

Three queer cases at Kenmare. A man was arrested charged with stealing a fur robe from his neighbor. An investigation proved that the robe had been loaned him. Another young man borrowed a pair of cuff buttons from his room mate Thanksgiving day. The room mate had him arrested. His case was also dismissed. Another man had a fellow arrested for stealing his wagon. The poor fellow had hitched up in the dark and got the wrong wagon and was turned loose.

Ernie Kent, the well known real estate dealer from Grand Forks, transacted business in this city Monday. Mr. Kent states that he has a man coming from St. Paul to hustle the building and loan business. He has a scheme whereby any working man may soon own his own home. Such a thing would be fine for Minot, providing the company is a responsible one.

Hospital Notes.

D. A. Hall, the blacksmith is ill at the hospital of Bright's disease.

Mrs. Grace Hezlef, of the Noble Theatre Co., is ill of pneumonia and receiving treatment at the hospital. Her condition is quite serious. Mrs. A. W. Tracy, of this city, took her place in the theatre.

Otto Nygaard of Granville was brought in ill of rheumatism.

F. G. Bronson of Kenmare, was injured in a cave in at a coal mine Friday, five of his ribs being broken. He was brought to the hospital.

Peter Lybeck, of White Earth, fell on his back and neck last week and injured his spine, causing partial paralysis. He is at the hospital.

There are in all nineteen patients at this institution.

Mad White Arrested.

Wm. P. White, mention of whose barn trouble was printed exclusively in last week's Independent, was arrested and restrained from completing the addition to the barn. The case will come up before Judge Murray Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The city intends to test the ordinance to see whether it is good or not. Mr. Aurland, the city attorney contends that Mr. White has no right to build such an addition within the fire limits and says if anyone ever had a permit to build within those limits before the ordinance was passed, the passage would revoke such a permit. Mr. White will fight it to the bitter end, so he says.

Masquerade Ball.

Irwin's Orchestra will give a grand masquerade ball in Jacobson's opera house Christmas eve, Dec. 24. The Leland Department store is handling the masquerade costumes which have been secured from the city. Prizes will be given for the best and most comical costumes. The floor committee will consist of Wm. Johnson, J. J. Coyle, James McKone, Aleck McDougall and B. G. Turner. Dancing will commence promptly at 9 o'clock. This undoubtedly will be the best ball of the kind ever given in the Northwest and a big crowd will surely attend.

No Talk of a Suit.

In last week's Independent an article stated that unless Mrs. Nash hastened to settle with J. B. Taylor for damage done to his Golden Rule store, a suit would likely follow. The fact of the case is, there was never any talk of a suit and Mrs. Nash and Mr. Taylor have been on the most friendly terms. The building has been repaired so that Mr. Taylor is continuing his business and is doing a lot of it too.

New Machinery.

The electric light plant received last week a new blower and a boiler. The blower is used in forcing the coal screenings into the furnace, thus economizing on fuel. The new boiler will enable the installation of many new lights. The plant is now furnishing 3300 lights each night.

A Stock That Is All Gifts...

In considering the matter of holiday presents we wish to remind you that nearly every item in our jewelry department is of a gift character. No matter whom you seek a present for or what you wish to pay you are certain to receive a score of ideas on the subject by inspecting our present stock.

Jewelry, Watches, Clocks, Silverware Etc. are among the best gifts that can ever be selected. In some of these lines there are a hundred separate items to pick from. Call when you can and see the display.

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Hair and Cloth Brushes.

We have a heavy stock of the better grades. Extra good ones for 50c; with Sterling Silver Plate 75c.

Perfumes

Our stock of Perfumes is always large, bigger than ever for the Holidays. A fine array of high grade perfumes in fancy packages, from 25c up.

Fancy Goods

Superb Creations in Celluloid, Plush and Metal. Dressing Cases, Work Boxes, Glove, Handkerchief, Necktie, Collar, Cuff, and Photo Boxes. Shaving Sets, Work Boxes, Dressing Cases, Etc. Prices run from 40c to \$5 with a score of prices between.

Magnificent Medallions

So largely is stock of these beautiful pictures increased this year and so taking are the subjects, that it is hard to adequately present them. You will have to see them and see them soon, as many are already sold.

Albums

You have never had an opportunity to get such nice ones as we are showing this year, and the prices are lower than ever.

Pocket Books

Large lines of the latest for men and women; especially large assortment of fine gift pocket books for ladies. A sensible, serviceable present, 25c to \$2.50.

Fancy Stationery

A box of beautiful stationery is a gift any lady will appreciate. No one attempts to carry such a line as we handle.

Mirrors

Our line is an especially good one and nothing like them can be found elsewhere. A splendid present for ladies, \$1.25 to \$2.00.

Sterling Silver Novelties

We have a new and splendid assortment of Novelties this year. These make most satisfactory presents. The line includes articles suitable for everybody and at prices that everybody can afford.

Gold Pens

Those we carry are the finest the market affords. First quality gold pens and genuine pearl handles. Pens \$1 to \$1.50.

Cameras

This is the superb gift. One that never fails to delight. Well to pick early, so that if some special kind or size is wanted there will be time to order it. Cameras \$1 to \$25.00.

Jewelry and Watches

Could more than fill this page with suggestions from our Jewelry Stock. Remember when in doubt that you can always find something suitable in this department and that such gifts last a lifetime. All New Goods.

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SHOES

A large consignment of the M. D. Wells shoes for men, boys, and children, has just arrived. Remember these shoes are the cheapest as well as the best.

Our groceries are always fresh. Come in and you will be treated fairly.

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Bargains At the Big Store at Surrey **Nyhus & Berg, Props.**

150 cases of fruit of all kinds just Received

Apples, Peaches, Berries, of all Kinds, Tomatoes, These will go at cost.

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Winter goods complete. Full Line of Rubber Goods, Shoes, Caps, Hats, Mittens, Sheep Lined Coats.

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