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MINOR TOPICS

The Independent wishes its readers a merry Christmas.

Atty. Sutton and wife are in Minneapolis on a visit.

J. W. Rode is taking the school census of the Minot district.

J. J. Coyle and wife have gone to Illinois to spend Christmas.

Mrs. Paul Evans has gone to the hall, Mo., to visit for a few weeks.

B. W. Combs has returned from a month's visit at Hartford, Kans.

The Fortnightly Club meets with Dr. Ross next Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

John Davis of Surrey bought a residence here and will make Minot his home.

Lucky Ben Carmin of Surrey, is managing the laundry wagon for Wm. Hartman.

Rev. W. H. Harris and Rev. Edgar Jones exchange pulpits next Sunday morning.

A leading photographic journal places L. C. VanExie's Studio among the six best in the state.

Edgar Weatherbee is circulating a petition to have Twp. 150-85 organized. He has 58 signers.

Atty. Blaisdell of this city has been reappointed United States Commissioner for another four year's term.

Peter McIntyre, the popular barber for Del Irish, will wed Miss Maggie Traun at the Catholic church the morning of Jan. 19.

Subject for next Sunday evening at M. E. church "The Christian's Charter," this is a further discussion of the Lord's Prayer.

Mrs. C. V. Stoner of Grand Forks, is in Minot this week for the purpose of organizing a class in china painting and water colors.

Eugene Teutsch has gone to Stanberry, Mo., to spend the holidays with relatives. His wife has been visiting there for some time.

Jerry Zlevor, the tailor, has changed his location to the Union house, cleaning, pressing and repairing of all kinds of clothing for ladies and gents. I also repair all kinds of fur coats and Cloaks. Leave orders and I will call for garments. Satisfaction guaranteed. Call and see me.

U. S. Commissioner J. H. Lewis left Friday for Boston, Mass., where he will spend the holidays with his wife and her parents. Mrs. Lewis preceded him there several weeks ago.

When you need an abstract, order from J. E. McKeane, who has the only complete set of abstracts in Ward county. 23-1f

M. O. Hall lost a suit case at the Leland last week containing many valuables including a lot of spoked sausage. Bro. Hall, we would suggest that you cause the Minot Chief of Police to go the rounds among the canines and find the guilty party.

Money to loan on your farm, I have it—terms of payment easy—Rates low as the lowest. I can save you money.—J. E. McKeane. 23-1f

Albert Wilson died at Mohn's hospital Sunday evening at 7 o'clock of typhoid fever. Undertaker McJannet prepared the remains for shipment to Hattan, N. D. Two sisters of the man were in the city at the time of his death, but seemed to be very indifferent regarding it.

Fire insurance protects against loss. I have six or seven of the best companies. Let me write a policy for you.—J. E. McKeane. 23-1f

A. P. Scofield writes from Fargo that he has received hundreds of letters from his friends and to answer all would cause him to hire a stenographer. Ward county's popular sheriff understands the deal and does not worry much on account of his confinement in the Cass county jail. The Independent predicts that he will return more popular than ever.

Melander Bros., of Velva, have purchased from C. F. Ferber, his boot and shoe repairing outfit and have removed the location to the Olaf A. Olson building a block west of the Second National Bank. They are good workmen and solicit your work. They guarantee satisfaction.

The Rebeccas of Floral Lodge have planned to give the Odd Fellows a good time in the way of serving refreshments the 11th of January. All Odd Fellows wives and Rebeccas are invited to meet at Mrs. Geo. Wilson's residence at 9 a. m. and go to the hall in a body. All Odd Fellows and their families are invited to attend.

RELATIVES OF CHARLES ANDERSON FOUND

The Man Who was Found Dead Near the Great Northern Track Near Berthold the Morning of September 27, is a Distant Relative of Wm. Olson of Palermo.

By accident, it has been learned that Charles Anderson, the man who was found in a dying condition along the G. N. track near Berthold the morning of Sept. 27, was a brother-in-law of the cousin of Wm. Olson, of Palermo and Miss Mamie Olson, Minot's hair dresser. By accident the identity of the man was made known. The home of Chas. Anderson was in Minneapolis and he was well known to members of the Olson family. His brother had been writing to Chas. Anderson in Washington for some weeks but his letters were returned and it was feared that the man met with some accident. Fred Johnson, a cousin to Wm. Olson arrived in Minot last week and began investigations. The man's body which was buried here will not be disturbed. When the remains were searched, quite a roll of bills were found besides the man's watch, which is valuable. These have been preserved by the county officials. Fred Johnson will make an effort to have the money and the watch turned over to the relatives of the man. Anderson was a Swede and had not been in this country long. He was a single man.

Notice For Bids.

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the city council of the City of Minot, for supplying the city with coal for the coming year, up to 8 p. m. January 4, 1904. Given under my hand and seal this 21st day of Dec. 1903. w. C. McHugh, City Auditor. 36-2t.

Good sleigh for sale \$8.00. Inquire at this office.

wanted—Board and room or board only for students. Inquire at Minot Business College. 36 t2.

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The Halfway mine near the big bridge is running full blast with four miners working for all they are worth. Much of the coal is being hauled to Minot while farmers drive to the mine for a portion. The vein is thirteen feet thick. F. A. Fuller, Chas. Taylor, and Geo. Batchelor are interested in the deal.



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