

MOB LAW.

The murder of the Ward Brothers at Devil's Lake should open the eyes of people to the danger there is in the ontrooping of mob law in any form. It is an evil always and under all circumstances. It is high time that the people and the press take the ground that to kill a man without process of the law is to commit murder, whether the victim is an innocent man or a fiend. An outraged community may take satisfaction in summarily hanging a brutal ravisher or midnight assassin, not thinking that they are weakening the force of law and order and helping the cause of violence and murder. Mob law is an enemy to public peace and safety, and it will always be found that those who participate in it are not the individuals who are most concerned for the security and well being of the community. A year ago, when the Minneapolis lynching affair was creating such a sensation in the Northwest, when nearly all the papers were either openly approving or lightly passing over the deed, we uttered the same sentiments we have here. We predicted at the time that the example would become contagious. A score of such cases as the hanging of Thurber in Grand Forks attest the correctness of our prediction. It is high time now that newspapers everywhere cease to refer to a mob of lynchers as a "neck-tie party," and use their influence to suppress all forms of mob law whether employed to punish some desperate criminal or to vindicate a settler's claim to public land.

The Fergus Falls Independent has suspended publication.

Doubtless the Elk Point Coyote chose its name in obedience to the law of natural selection.

"They were good boys; everybody liked them," is what the neighbors of the unfortunate Ward brothers say of them.

The prospects are that there will be plenty of men and teams this year to do the breaking required in this county. From this on the heaviest strain is to be during seeding and harvest.

Pettigrew believes that Gov. Ordway intends to make money out of the capital removal proceedings. That probably might be Pettigrew's motive if he had charge of the movement.

The price of horses rules higher this year than ever before, and the prospects are that they will be at least as high priced for several years yet. In time the supply will accommodate itself to the demand.

Joseph Cook lectured in St. Paul last week. Presumably he spoke with his usual force and eloquence, although the Pioneer Press, which does not seem to like "Jo. Cook," pronounced the lecture too long.

Notwithstanding a good deal of talk, about "communism," "labor troubles," the "tyranny of wealth," and other evils of the present day, it is well for everybody to know what is a fact, that this is the most enlightened, progressive and peaceful age the world has ever seen.

We publish elsewhere a synopsis of the drainage act. Its provisions seem to cover the needs of the case. There are several townships in this county that should take advantage of the benefits of this act, and thereby make their low lands the most productive in the country.

We congratulate the Yankton Press and Dakotian on entering its ninth year. The Press and Dakotian is one of the ablest journals in the Territory, and has been deservedly successful. Its judgment is calm and sound on almost any subject but the capital removal business.

Governor Ordway's fighting qualities enable him to take care of himself whether he has help from others or not. The fact that he always boldly challenges investigation and has a habit of proving himself in the right, makes a good many slow to believe that he has any corrupt motives in favoring the capital removal bill.

The effort on the part of the Chicanos to secure railway communication with this valley is the natural result of a growing jealousy felt in that city of the influence of St. Paul and Minneapolis as a railroad and commercial center. St. Paul is an ambitious city, growing in wealth and as a manufacturing and jobbing center.

Bro. Edwards, of the Warren Sheaf, having been joined by his family from the East, has begun to enjoy the luxuries of a home. But he finds there is no poetry in tacking down carpets and framing stove pipes. He is the first man we have heard of in search of poetry from such a quarter. Good, stout prose is more often heard at such times.

The Emerson Manitoban is getting to be quite an authority on the subject of whiskey. It published an able and thoughtful editorial on the sub-

ject recently. Our cotemporary starts out in a scientific strain, expatiating on "Dipsomania" and "Alcoholism." Long study and close investigation of the subject enables the author to speak with authority. The Professor does not seem to favor the theory that the greater prevalence of drinking habits in the Northwest is owing to "the peculiar dryness of the atmosphere causing a corresponding aridity of the thorax, larynx and lungs." He thinks the evil is rather the outgrowth of the geniality and warm-heartedness of the natives and settlers. He says that Canadian whiskey is as good an article of whiskey as can be found in the world. This opinion he offers doubtless after a lengthened series of experiments on various qualities and grades of the article. The professor remarks very truly that while one glass of good liquor is enough for one man, another can feel quite comfortable with five or six. But the strongest point our cotemporary makes is that to get drunk is the best way to show up your real character. "The sober looker-on can learn more of a fellow in five minutes of his drunkenness than in a year of his sobriety." This discourses the Manitoban on whiskey.

DRAINAGE.

A Synopsis of the Bill Passed by the last Legislature, Comprising all its Important Provisions.

(Fargo Argus.)

The Grand Forks Plaindealer publishes the drainage bill in full. The general purport of the act is indicated in the title as "An act to enable the owners of land to drain and reclaim them, prescribing the duties of county commissioners and other officers in the premises, and to provide for the repair and enlargement of such drains."

Section 1 gives the board of county commissioners, or the board of supervisors of any organized township, the power to construct drains as the public interest requires.

Section 2 prescribes the mode of proceeding to secure a ditch. Some one or more whose lands are to be affected must first file with the register of deeds or town clerk a petition setting forth the necessity of the drain, with a full and accurate description of it, and file a bond to pay all the costs in case the ditch or drain is not established. As soon as the petition is filed the boards shall appoint three freeholders, residents of the township but not interested in the proposed work, as viewers, who shall proceed with a competent surveyor to survey and stake out the ditch and compute its cost. They shall also apportion the cost of the drain to all owners of land to be benefited by it, and report all their action and their opinion of the public utility of the drain.

Section 3. If the ditch is wholly or in part on the bed of a private ditch, the owner shall have credit on his assessment for the amount saved.

Section 4. All lands benefited by the ditch are to be assessed, whether the ditch touches them or not.

Section 5. The viewers are not bound to follow the exact course indicated in the petition any extend it further to secure sufficient fall, and shall run it on division lines when practicable.

Section 6. The viewers shall estimate the damage sustained by any and assess those benefited for the amount.

Section 7. If the viewers think the route proposed not the best, and the ditch can be made to benefit the highway, they can make changes, but must not materially change the terminal points.

Section 8. If the weather be unfavorable or the waters high, the viewers may defer action a reasonable time, and if they decide that the route or ditch is not of public utility, they shall report to that effect.

Section 9. The register of deeds or town clerk shall give public notice of the petition and action contemplated, with the date for hearing those interested.

Section 10. The board commissioners or supervisors shall grant the petition if there is no remonstrance and the viewers report favorable. If adverse, they shall dismiss and tax costs as provided.

Section 11. Any person aggrieved by the action approved by the commissioners, may file a remonstrance specifying the grounds of complaint, and two disinterested freeholders shall be designated to consider and report the facts in the case.

Sections 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16 pertain to the action of the viewers and reviewers and the apportionment of costs and damages.

Section 17. Provides that any person or corporation may appeal from the action of the board to the district court, upon the questions whether the ditch will be a public benefit, the route practicable, or the assessments or damages equitable in amount or distribution.

Section 18. The register or clerk shall, after sufficient notice, sell the job in parts or together for constructing the ditch.

Section 19. Any job not completed within the time specified shall be resold but not a second time to the same party.

Section 20. This pertains to the approval and acceptance of a job.

The further sections pertain chiefly to keeping the ditch open, the pay of officers concerned, and some other matters of detail.

Subscriptions Received.

All amounts received on subscription to the Pioneer-Express will be acknowledged from time to time. The following subscriptions have been received since our last report:

Table listing names and amounts: O. A. Slaughter \$0.50, George J. Patterson 1.00, Joseph Shaw 1.00, A. C. McCumber 3.00, W. W. Nichols 3.00, M. Gavin 2.00, W. H. Lee 2.00, Benj. Snyder 1.00, Chas. McLeod 1.00, Russel Aylen 2.00, Arch'd Glass 1.00, Mrs. Granier 1.00, Joseph Morrison 1.00, E. Kitzon 1.00.

Table listing names and amounts: Henry Mearns 2.00, T. Carr 1.00, John Hogan 2.00, Nathan O'Shannon 50, Benjamin Chugglin 2.00, R. W. Oliver 2.00, A. D. Caviler 50, Major Camp 1.00, C. W. Williams 2.00, E. A. Taylor 75.

Final Proof Notices.

LAND OFFICE, GRAND FORKS, D. T., April 24, 1883. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before E. A. Healy, notary public, at Drayton, D. T., on June 11, 1883, viz: Francis W. Orde, for the nw 1/4 sec 21, 162 r 56. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Delbert Johnson, Michael Hodges, James McConnell, Benjamin Wilson, all of Drayton, D. T.

B. C. TIFFANY, Register. LAND OFFICE, GRAND FORKS, D. T., April 14, 1883. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Robert Tweedie, clerk of the district court at Pembina, D. T., on June 22, 1883, viz: John Rowe, for the ne 1/4 sec 21, 162 r 56. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: George Fay, James Gillis, John Gillis, Wm Galoway, of Pembina county, D. T.

B. C. TIFFANY, Register. LAND OFFICE, GRAND FORKS, D. T., Apr. 13, 1883. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before J. Henry Abrams, a notary public at Pembina, on June 6, 1883, viz: Thomas Hodge, No. 4333, for the nw 1/4 sec 21, 162 r 56. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Thos. Hodge, Sire Fadden, John Reid and Frank Taylor, all of Beaulieu P. O., Pembina county, D. T.

And you, Geo. Urquhart who, on the 27th day of July, 1882, filed D. S. No. 4278, on the nw 1/4 sec 21, 162 r 56, are hereby notified to show cause at this office on or before June 9, 1883, if any there be, why said Thomas Hodge should not be allowed to make proof and payment for said tract.

B. C. TIFFANY, Register. H. R. VAUGHN, Attorney. LAND OFFICE, GRAND FORKS, D. T., Apr. 13, 1883. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before J. Henry Abrams, a notary public, at Pembina, D. T., on June 6, 1883, viz: John McKeeney, No. 4333, for the nw 1/4 sec 21, 162 r 56. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Thos. Hodge, Sire Fadden, John Reid and Frank Taylor, all of Beaulieu P. O., Pembina county, D. T.

And you Horatio M. Fralick, who on the 6th day of July, 1882, filed D. S. No. 4222 on the sw 1/4 sec 21, 162 r 56, are hereby notified to show cause at this office on or before June 6, 1883, if any there be, why said John McKeeney should not be allowed to make proof and payment for said tract.

B. C. TIFFANY, Register. H. R. VAUGHN, Attorney. LAND OFFICE, GRAND FORKS, D. T., April 2, 1883. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Edward Sing, notary public at Bathgate, D. T., on May 14, 1883, viz: William James, for the sw 1/4 sec 3, 162 r 53. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Robert Ellis, Francis Moran, W. J. Mooney, Alex McDonald of Bathgate, D. T.

B. C. TIFFANY, Register. Stack & Mooney, Attorneys, Bathgate. LAND OFFICE, GRAND FORKS, D. T., Apr. 2, 1883. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Henry A. Mayo, notary public, at Walhalla, D. T., on May 7, 1883, viz: Paul Heinrich, for Lots 1, 2 and 3, and the sw 1/4 sec 3, 162 r 56. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Erwin Johnson, Wellington Stewart, Frederick Hildebrandt, Eugene Hartwig, of Walhalla, D. T.

B. C. TIFFANY, Register. LAND OFFICE, GRAND FORKS, D. T., Mar. 29, 1883. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before R. Tweedie clerk dist. court, at Pembina, on May 11, 1883, viz: John McKeeney, for the ne 1/4 sec 17, 162 r 56. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land: Richard Jarvis, Nicholas Hod, Jas Buchanan, Wm Mountain, of Pembina Co D. T.

And you, John McKeeney, on the 24th day of July 1882, filed H. E. No. 5922 on the ne 1/4 sec 17, 162 r 56, are hereby notified to show cause at this office on or before May 11, 1883, if any there be, why said John McKeeney should not be allowed to make proof and payment for said tract.

B. C. TIFFANY, Register. LAND OFFICE, GRAND FORKS, D. T., March 29, 1883. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Francis Palmer, notary public, at Bathgate, D. T., on May 12, 1883, viz: John Fadden, for the nw 1/4 sec 21, 162 r 56. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Nicholas Yost, Thos Hodge, Rufus Henderson, Andrew Blaisdell, of Beaulieu, D. T.

B. C. TIFFANY, Register. LAND OFFICE, GRAND FORKS, D. T., Mar. 27, 1883. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Francis Palmer, notary public at Bathgate, D. T., on May 5th 1883, viz: Alfred Fadden, for the ne 1/4 sec 14, 162 r 56, and the ne 1/4 sec 15, 162 r 56. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Joseph Merdler, Joseph Galliers, Alphonse Pepin, Andrew Sautera of Walhalla, D. T.

And you, John B. Gagne, who on the 28th day of July 1882, filed D. S. No. 4298 on the ne 1/4 sec 14, 162 r 56, and the ne 1/4 sec 15, 162 r 56, are hereby notified to show cause at this office on or before May 5th 1883, if any there be, why said Alfred Fadden should not be allowed to make proof and payment for said tract.

B. C. TIFFANY, Register. McKitterick & Gibson, Attorneys, Bathgate. LAND OFFICE, GRAND FORKS, D. T., March 28, 1883. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Francis Palmer notary public, at Bathgate D. T., on May 12, 1883, viz: Courad Henkle, for the se 1/4 nw 1/4, 162 r 56, and the ne 1/4 sec 25, 162 r 54.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said lands, viz: Henry Kihne, John Trimmer, John Mountain, Thos Olver of Caviler, D. T.

B. C. TIFFANY, Register. McKitterick & Gibson, Attorneys, Bathgate. LAND OFFICE, GRAND FORKS, D. T., Mar. 28, 1883. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Francis Palmer notary public at Bathgate D. T., on May 12, 1883, viz: Henry Kihne, for the ne 1/4 nw 1/4, 162 r 56, and the ne 1/4 sec 26, 162 r 54.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said lands, viz: Joseph Ducham, Michel Regan, Wellington Stewart, Wm Willis of Pembina Co, D. T.

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He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said lands: Joseph Ducham, Michel Regan, Wellington Stewart, Wm Willis of Pembina Co, D. T.

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Notice of Contest. U. S. Land Office, Grand Forks, D. T., March 29, 1883. Complaint having been entered at this office by Silas G. Sills against John A. Griffith for failure to comply with law as to timber-culture entry No. 1662, dated March 10, 1882, upon the ne 1/4 sec 35, pt 161, range 52, in Pembina county, D. T., with a view to the cancellation of said entry; contestant alleging that the said John A. Griffith has made an illegal timber-culture entry thereon in that he was at the time of making said entry an officer under the laws of the Dominion of Canada, being postmaster and magistrate at Farham, Ontario, and that he continued in the discharge of the duties of said offices after making said entry, and returned to and resided at Farham aforesaid; that the deponent verily believes and so alleges that said Griffith declared his intention of becoming a citizen of the United States fraudulently for the purpose of acquiring title to land under the laws of the United States; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 21st day of June, 1883, at 10 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged failure.

HAMILTON, LAVAYEA & JOY, Attorneys. 38-41

U. S. Land Office, Grand Forks, D. T., March 5, 1883. Complaint having been entered at this office by Adolph A. Webster against James Cassidy for failure to comply with law as to timber-culture entry No. 188, dated May 15, 1880, upon the ne 1/4 sec 35, pt 161 r 53, in Pembina county, D. T., with a view to the cancellation of said entry; contestant alleging that the said James Cassidy has failed to break and cultivate ten acres as by law required; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 22nd day of May, 1883, at 10 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged failure.

H. C. TIFFANY, Register. WALSH & MAHER, Attorneys. 38-41

U. S. Land Office, Grand Forks, D. T., March 5, 1883. Complaint having been entered at this office by Abraham Alma against Charles H. Lee for abandoning his homestead entry No. 3854, dated December 5th 1881, upon the sw 1/4 sec 12, pt 160 range 51, in Pembina county, Dakota, with a view to the cancellation of said entry; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 21st day of May 1883, at 10 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment.

H. C. TIFFANY, Register. W. J. Anderson, Receiver. 38-41

U. S. Land Office, Grand Forks, D. T., Mar. 9, 1882. Complaint having been entered at this office by Henry A. Hall against George W. Smith for abandoning his Homestead Entry No. 5880, dated June 30th 1882, upon the e 1/2 sw 1/4, sw 1/4, sw 1/4 sec 29, ne 1/4 sec 27, pt 160 r 54, in Pembina county, D. T., with a view to the cancellation of said entry; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 21st day of June 1883, at 10 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment.

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