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 class mail matter.

## The Pioneer Express.

### HAIL LOSS \$350,000.

The most extensive and destructive  
 hail on record in this county oc-  
 curred on Monday evening. The direc-  
 tion of the storm was from the north-  
 west to the southeast, passing through  
 the central part of the county. Its path  
 was from four to six miles wide and  
 passed through a section of the country  
 which was practically almost an un-  
 broken field of wheat and other cereals,  
 nearly all of which was above the average  
 in appearance as to probable yield.  
 The violence of the hail and wind was  
 such that in the path of the storm the de-  
 struction was absolute and total. Con-  
 siderable glass was broken on the wind-  
 ward side of buildings and fowls and  
 small animals suffered severely.  
 The track of the storm was nearly  
 coincident in Hamilton and Carlisle town-  
 ships with a similar storm two years ago  
 and the sufferers in this belt are particu-  
 larly deserving of sympathy.  
 The present storm was remarkable for  
 the width of its destructive path. Few  
 hail storms cover more than a mile, and  
 two miles wide is extraordinary, but this  
 storm had an average width of at least  
 four miles over a stretch of country at  
 least thirty miles in length, and then  
 crossing the Red River went east to  
 Stephen twenty miles farther, carrying  
 similar destruction in its track.  
 As to the total amount of actual  
 damage it is hard to get at, except by approxi-  
 mating. We make the following figures.  
 Any one can change them according to  
 his own judgment and knowledge, but  
 they will do for a basis. Allowing 800  
 acres cultivated on each section and 85  
 per acre loss would make \$3,000 loss per  
 section. At this writing we hear of the  
 storm destroying crops three miles west  
 of Tyler; from there to the Red River,  
 where it crossed, is about thirty miles.  
 The path of total destruction therefore  
 approximates at least four miles by thirty  
 miles, equal to 120 sections; and if the  
 loss averages \$3,000 per section the total  
 loss would equal \$360,000.  
 There are many of these sections whose  
 yield would have been 20, 25, 30 or more  
 bushels to the acre, and as we said, but a  
 small part of the path of the storm was  
 not in crop. In places the path of the  
 storm would be nearly six miles wide.  
 Hence we think that to estimate the total  
 loss at from \$300,000 to \$350,000 is very  
 conservative.  
 A line drawn from Tyler post office,  
 running straight to Bowman defines the  
 northern limits of the hail. This line  
 runs a little south of Hamilton and of  
 Prattford post office. Another line

drawn from Cavalier village to Pittsburg  
 is very near the southern boundary of  
 the zone of destruction. This line runs  
 about two miles north of Glasdon. Of  
 course this represents the general direc-  
 tion. The actual border lines of damage  
 are crooked and vary a mile or more  
 from the direct line in places. With but  
 little exception all crops within these  
 lines are hailed out and where there are  
 exceptions, there is sufficient destroyed  
 outside to make up the difference.

The Walthalla Mountaineer says, "On  
 Monday afternoon a heavy rain with a  
 little hail but no damage to crops." So  
 from that it would seem that the violence  
 of the storm began a few miles south-  
 west of Walthalla and near Backoo.

Walsh and Grand Forks counties also  
 suffered from hail storms at about the  
 same time Monday and the storms crossed  
 the Red and did serious injury in the  
 counties across in Minnesota. And we  
 think that altogether, more damage was  
 done by hail in the valley on Monday  
 than ever before in one day.

**NOTES.**

The hailed out area affected between  
 300 and 400 farmers and about as many  
 more sons or hired men.

It is feared that some of the home in-  
 surance companies are hit pretty hard.

We hear of one man at Hamilton who  
 insured his crop Monday afternoon.

We do not intend to give list of losers  
 for several reasons. The list in the  
 present instance is too large; we might  
 include some who have not lost all, and  
 we might omit some who are total or  
 partial losers, and even those that have  
 lost all are not anxious to have their  
 misfortunes advertised—for pecuniary  
 reasons if for no other.

Two small gains from so great a loss.  
 The land will be plowed immediately  
 and that will be as good as summer  
 fallow, and give excellent crops next  
 season. Also, as help is likely to be scarce  
 in harvest, this will allow five or six hun-  
 dred farmers and hired men to help har-  
 vest their neighbor's crops.

There isn't a citizen of Pembina county  
 who is entirely out of the hail belt. Tax-  
 payers, banks, merchants, mechanics,  
 newspapers, everybody, will have to  
 share the loss to a greater or less degree.

Bowson and Hamilton business  
 men will catch it the hardest. At each  
 of these places the largest portion of  
 their tributary customers have been hail-  
 ed out.

Sheriff Farrow who took a tour around  
 the country between Cavalier and Hamil-  
 ton, observed a streak southwest of  
 Hamilton, that seemed hardly hurt,  
 though near it grain was flat. In his own  
 field near Cavalier, he could not find a  
 single head standing. All the glass on  
 the north side of his residence was  
 knocked out. In Cavalier township the  
 grain lay beaten towards the south, along  
 in Hamilton township, it inclined to the  
 east. Some grain out of the hail belt  
 was badly lodged by the heavy wind.

The sound of the hail made a roar that  
 was heard a long distance away.

On a basis of a 6,000,000 bushel crop  
 at 60 cents a bushel, the loss by hail this  
 year will approximate at least 8 per cent  
 of the whole—just about the net profit.

### HOBOES VS. TRAMPS.

Some of our exchanges are discussing  
 the meaning of the word "hobo." This  
 is one of the words that "just grew."  
 No one will ever know how, when or  
 where it originated. It is a case of neces-  
 sary invention, and is probably un-  
 known outside of the northwestern states.  
 Many people use the word "hobo" and  
 "tramp" as synonymous, whereas, the  
 word hobo was invented to distinguish a  
 certain class of men from "tramps." In  
 many things, such as modes of travel,  
 camping, and even financially the hobo  
 and tramp have many similarities, but  
 the one great distinction is, that the hobo  
 will and does work, while the tramp will  
 not.

The hobo "tramps," but usually from  
 one field of labor to another. A large  
 proportion of our North Dakota hobo-  
 es work in the lumber woods of Minnesota  
 and Michigan in winter, drive logs and  
 work in saw mills in the summer, and  
 then start in harvesting in southern Min-  
 nesota and South Dakota, and from there  
 follow the harvesting season north.

Some of them are farmer boys or day-  
 laborers in their own localities east and  
 south, but strike out for the harvest fields  
 in the northwest to "make a stake" in  
 the fall months. Many of these men  
 for various reasons have but little or no  
 money to pay transportation, and they  
 are not dressed well enough to stop at  
 first class hotels, but a large majority of  
 the genuine hobo- es are good, hardwork-  
 ing men, and hundreds of them come  
 back year after year to the same farm or  
 locality where employed in previous  
 seasons.

**Calumet**

Perfect  
in  
Quality

**Baking**

NOT MADE  
BY THE  
TRUST.

**Powder**

MODERATE  
IN  
PRICE

We have no use for a tramp; but dur-  
 ing the next sixty days, because a dusty,  
 poorly dressed fellow stops and asks a  
 meal at your door, don't necessarily class  
 him as a tramp and give him a tramp's  
 deserved cold greeting.

However, if you have any doubts as to  
 the classification, a woodpile and  
 bucksaw will assist you in determining  
 the species very quickly. If he is a  
 hobo feed him; if he is a tramp, send  
 him to the city marshal.

Col. Robert Ingersoll's death has  
 caused a large amount of religious discus-  
 sion in the newspapers. Col. Ingersoll's  
 religion, or want of religion, was a  
 matter of his own belief and conviction.  
 He alone has to answer for his errors.  
 The real fault; the real wrong to human-  
 ity, and of which humanity has the right  
 to complain, is that Col. Ingersoll was  
 not satisfied with his own disbelief, but  
 tried with his magnificent talents to  
 shake the faith of others who were honest  
 and happy in their beliefs.

The "Sign of the Cross" is plainly  
 marked on every shining cloud above the  
 paths of civilization and progress. Ingersoll  
 said this was a delusion, but gave no  
 other sign by which to conquer. If he  
 was right, in this at least he was  
 wrong. A world without faith and hope,  
 even if illusory, would be a hopeless and  
 miserable world; and, if Ingersoll himself  
 had lived in the sort of world he sought  
 to create, he would have been of all men  
 one of the most miserable, and all the  
 more so because he himself was one, who  
 though mistaken, really loved his fellow  
 men.

Hoboes are reported as scarce, and  
 from the present outlook, farmers are  
 likely to be short of help, and wages  
 high in the harvest this year. There are  
 various causes for this scarcity. A new  
 law makes riding on railroad freight  
 trains without the formality of paying  
 fare, a misdemeanor. The wages for two  
 or three years back have been  
 too low to be very attractive, and in  
 many localities too many men have been  
 looking for work, making the supply  
 greater than the demand. But above all  
 these is the fact that employment at good  
 wages is available almost anywhere in  
 these comparatively prosperous times.  
 Mills, mines, factories and other hives of  
 industry are running on full time.

**PEMBINA**

## Lumber Yard

FULL SUPPLY OF  
Building Material

ADAMANT, the best plaster on  
earth.

Lime, Sand, Brick and Cement.

Free delivery of Lumber to all  
parts of the city.

**E. M. NIXON.**

It is remarkable with what unctious  
 some people can deprecate the evils of  
 intemperance and the prohibition law in  
 the same breath. The rankest blind  
 pigger in the state will expatiate on  
 drunkards and "spotters" as twin evils,  
 and wants to suppress them both. Talk  
 with him and see if he don't.

Owing to delays caused by weather  
 and other circumstances, the North Da-  
 kota troops did not start for home until  
 July 30th. The trip across takes about  
 29 days.

Seven of the nine Pembina county pa-  
 pers were represented by their editors,  
 and Jud LaMoore held the proxies of the  
 other two. —Sheldon Progress.

In about thirty days some old, rotten  
 boilers or some equally rotten "engin-  
 eers" will be issuing free and quick trans-  
 portation to the other shore.

The unanimity of the press in reference  
 to the retirement of Gen. Alger is quite  
 unanimous.

Free trade England is also complain-  
 ing bitterly of "trusts."

## United States Map.

**15c.**

A copy of our handsome map, eight  
 inches, printed in four colors and  
 mounted on a roller, will be sent to  
 any address on receipt of 15 cents  
 in coin, postal or express money order. We cannot  
 well use postage stamps. GEO. P. LYMAN, Gen-  
 eral Passenger Agent, C. & N. E. R., St. Paul,  
 Minn.

**REPORT of the Pembina Building and Loan Association** located at Pembina, North Dakota for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1899.

Amount of authorized capital	\$400,000 00
Par value of such shares	100 00
Number of shares sold during the year	230
Number of shares cancelled and with- drawn during the year	22
Number of shares in force at the end of the year	708
Month issued	No. Shares.
March 1st, 1892	224
March 1st, 1894	208
March 1st, 1896	211
March 1st, 1898	101
March 1st, 1899	52
<b>Total</b>	<b>708</b>

**RECEIPTS.**

Cash on hand June 30, 1898, including receiver's receipt	\$ 2,810 22
Dues paid on installment stock	3,091 00
Loans repaid	879 25
Interest	1,272 17
Finance	5 85
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 8,058 49</b>

**DISBURSEMENTS.**

Loans or real estate	\$ 906 00
Loans on stock of the associa- tion	1,108 13
Withdrawals	3,950 55
Expenses paid	371 40
Insurance and tax paid	144 46
First National Bank receiver's receipt	586 10
Cash	1,191 85
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 8,658 49</b>

**ASSETS.**

Real estate mortgages	\$15,100 00
Stock loans	700 00
4th in arrears	1,245 00
Interest and premiums in arrears	775 88
Real estate	1,000 00
Receiver's receipt, First National Bank	986 10
Due from treasurer	846 88
Due from secretary	544 97
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$20,908 83</b>

**LIABILITIES.**

Installment stock	\$14,702 00
Undivided profits	6,146 83
Balance due on loan	650 00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$21,498 83</b>

**EXPENSE ACCOUNT.**

From all funds	\$ 525 86
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 525 86</b>

**DISBURSEMENTS.**

Salaries of officers	\$ 223 00
Printing, books, stationery, office sup- plies, etc.	51 40
Examination	12 00
Tax	144 46
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 432 86</b>

We, T. R. Shaw, vice president, and  
 Ryan, secretary of the Pembina Building and  
 Loan Association located at Pembina, North Da-  
 kota, being first duly sworn, do state under oath,  
 that the within and foregoing report is correct  
 and true to the best of our knowledge and belief.  
 T. R. SHAW, Vice President.  
 G. W. RYAN, Secretary.  
 Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th  
 day of July, 1899. F. A. WARDWELL,  
 Notary Public, Pembina County, N. D.

**Notice of Mortgage Sale.**  
 NOTICE is hereby given, that certain  
 mortgage, executed and delivered by John  
 Skanderberg and Sigridur Skanderberg, his wife,  
 mortgagee to The Union Central Life Insurance  
 Company, of Cincinnati, Ohio, mortgagee, dated  
 the thirty-first day of December A. D. 1897, and  
 filed for record in the office of the Register of  
 Deeds in and for the County of Pembina, State  
 of North Dakota, on the twentieth day of Janu-  
 ary A. D. 1898, two o'clock p. m. and recorded  
 in book 64 of mortgages, on page 521, will be fore-  
 closed by a sale of the premises in such mortgage  
 as hereinafter described, at the front door of  
 the court house in the city of Pembina, County  
 of Pembina, State of North Dakota, at the hour  
 of two o'clock in the afternoon on the 19th day  
 of August, A. D. 1899 to satisfy the amount due  
 on such mortgage on the day of sale, including  
 \$3.33 taxes paid by the mortgagee under said  
 mortgage.

The premises described in such mortgage and  
 which will be sold to satisfy the same, are de-  
 scribed as follows:  
 The south one-half of the northeast quarter of  
 section number twenty-seven, and the north one-  
 half of the northwest quarter of section number  
 thirty-four, township one hundred sixty-one,  
 north of range fifty-five, west.  
 There will be due on said mortgage at the date  
 of sale, the sum of nine hundred and nineteen  
 and ninety-five hundredths dollars (\$919.95) and  
 the expenses of these proceedings.  
 Dated this 24th day of June A. D. 1899.  
 THE UNION CENTRAL LIFE  
 INSURANCE COMPANY,  
 Mortgagee.

JOHN P. GALEBRAITH, Attorney for the Mortgagee,  
 Grand Forks, N. D.

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on poor Binder Twine when you  
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## To Make a Mistake

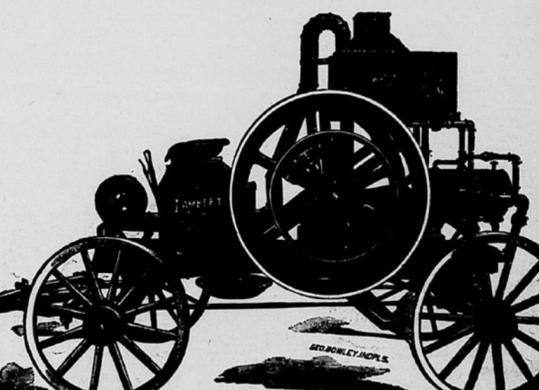
is natural; to rectify it is beneficial. If you have bought sil-  
verware or jewelry anywhere and got beaten, the experience  
is worth something. The satisfac-  
tion we will give you will  
le all the more pleasing by con-  
trast. We have just enriched  
our stock by purchases of

### Gold and Silver Watches,

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moderate your purchasing capa-  
bility, we can give you satis-  
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horses. These and many other advantages over steam are worth investiga-  
tion. See

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