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##### CITY ELECTIONS.

Next Monday is the day for the city election. There is no money in most of the city offices and none whatever in those of mayor or aldermen. These are honor offices pure and simple and often there are more kicks than honor. Particularly is this true of the mayorship, for it often becomes the duty of the mayor as the executive officer of the city to interfere with the affairs of some private citizen in the enforcement of the city ordinances in a way that is resented by the citizen affected. The mayor may be and probably is right, but the private citizen gets mad just the same and says and does disagreeable things. Because of the duties of the mayor, it is not always easy to get good men to serve on what often proves to be a thankless and disagreeable job.

The history of the administration of the present mayor, Mr. Chisholm, has shown that he is always on hand at the council meetings, has enforced the ordinances without fear or favor, that he has banished the loose stock from running the streets, looked after and saw that the sanitary rules were lived up to by offenders, watched out for the fire regulations, especially in block 15, and has the best financial record in keeping down expenses and in paying off floating and bonded debt of any administration for the last ten years. It seems to us that if Mr. Chisholm can be prevailed upon to continue the good work for another term, that we should compliment and encourage him by a unanimous election.

As to the aldermen, in ward No. one, two members of the council are to be elected for two years to succeed Dr. Hanson, and another to take the place of Mr. Hanson, removed for one year. Dr.

#### STATISTICS.

And now comes the annual farce of assessors taking statistics in addition to their other duties. As a measure of economy the state requires the township assessor to take an annual census of crops, acreage, etc., to be summed up for the use of the agricultural department and used in its statistical tables. It costs the state nothing and is worth just about what it costs, as is usual with unpaid labor.

The assessor is about the poorest instrument that could be chosen for this sort of work, for many reasons, but particularly because the nature of his legitimate business makes the taxpayer, who is always shy in giving up to the census official the details of his affairs, more afraid of telling the assessor than any other person, for obvious reasons.

Statistics, to be of any value at all, must be correct; anything else is worse than nothing; and any well-informed man can see off-hand that the so-called statistics gathered by the assessors are worse than nothing, by just using his own and others' common knowledge.

The assessors are not to blame; in most cases they do the best they can, but they know that the figures they get from the taxpayers are wrong and misleading, and they naturally feel like getting through with a disagreeable job with as little trouble as possible. As a matter of fact, the personal estimate of the assessor as to the totals required by the state for his township, would in most cases be of more value than the figures that he obtains from the people.

A better way would be to give the job to the township clerks, give them a small sum per farm, and give them a good long time during the winter to gather the items required, and the results would be far more satisfactory. Of course it would cost something, but the people in private business have discovered that we have to pay for value received, and the government will have to do the same as the rest of the people—the government will get what it pays for and no more.

Some time since we received a copy of Prof Willard's "Story of the Prairies" but laid it by until we could find time to read it. We find that it amply repays perusal. It is written in a simple style so that it can be understood by quite young people and yet the most learned could find much of interest, especially if he were a resident of this state. It tells about the time in the centuries ago when this valley and adjacent country were covered with an ice glacier about a mile thick; which went crowding and crushing along plowing up here and leaving great masses of debris from its melting sides there, forwards and backwards, until its final retirement to the polar regions, but leaving its history written in indelible lettering, on the hillsides, along the valleys and among the streams of the surface of the state. It is a book of peculiar interest to all North Dakotans and is specially of interest to teachers. There is much of the science of geology generally to be found in the book that is easy reading and yet all of which is desirable to know, even if the student goes no farther. It is published by the author, Prof. D. E. Willard, now of the Agricultural College, Fargo, N. D. Price \$1.75.

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### County News.

Wm. Ewart and family, of Neche, are about to move to the Canadian Northwest.

Four Wisconsin people, with stock and implements, arrived at Cavalier last week.

Freddie E. Otto, the six-year-old son of Edward Otto, of Crystal, died March 24th, from the effects of measles.

The county board have been around the county looking up bridge sites and the Chronicle gives them a great jolly.

The Odd Fellows of Hamilton and Cavalier have been exchanging fraternal visits to see each other center degrees.

W. A. Murphy purchased the residence of Marshall Jackson, of Neche, recently. The latter will remove to the Northwest.

Fred Perrault, the Bathgate hotel man, has purchased a hotel at St. Jean and will take possession some time in the spring.

J. P. Tennyson, the Cavalier miller, has gone to take charge of the Hallock mills and the Chronicle says he is both a good miller and a good citizen.

The Call says that deputy register Spiller, who was visiting his family at Crystal last week, expects to remove them to Pembina in two weeks.

Cashier Musselman, of the Cavalier bank, went to Grand Forks last week to meet C. A. Holbrook, who was on his way to Chicago for medical treatment.

Mrs. M. Brynjolsson's health is so poor that she was taken to a hospital at Minneapolis last week by her husband and many friends hope to see her return soon with health restored.

C. W. Argue informs the Pink Paper that, while he regrets that his arrangements for moving to Bathgate did not materialize, yet he is doing very well at his store at Carisite.

C. W. Francis, who was working on the Chronicle until lately, went to the western part of the state to take a situation there, writes back that he has the small pox at the home of his brother-in-law at Souris.

The Holbrook furniture store at Wahaha has changed hands, W. J. Maxwell having purchased a controlling interest. T. J. Shabane, the former manager of the Holbrook store, will start in the same line of business for himself.

John Foster, who had been working about a mile east of Hamilton, died very suddenly from acute bright's disease. He was a member of the M. W. A. of Hamilton and carried \$1,000 insurance in favor of a sister, who resides in New York.

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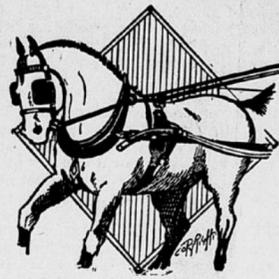
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