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FRIDAY MORNING, FEB. 26, 1904

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Friday	90.89	85.81	71.11	01							
Saturday	90.89	85.81	71.11	01							
Monday	90.89	85.81	71.11	01							
Tuesday	88.87	84.90	70.10	01							
Wednesday	90.89	85.81	71.11	02							
Thursday	92.91	88.84	74.11	02							

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LOCAL.

Father Cleary March 21st.
County Board is in session this week.
The Japs have been doing a Russian' business from the very start.

Real estate taxes become delinquent next Tuesday.

Julius Kohles and family expect to leave for Cloverland, Wash., next week.

Town clerks should order their town meeting blanks early of the Pioneer Express.

Another cold week, but mostly pleasant overhead. But it keeps the coal going all the time.

Wm. McQuarrie and Ernest Hellfach have purchased the drug business of J. A. Dunn and Co. at Walhalla.

Misses Carr and Ayien of Pembina have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Obed Carr this week.—Hallock Enterprise.

A missionary meeting was held at the M. E. church on Tuesday evening and was addressed by Mrs. Baker, of Lincoln, Neb.

Among the recent appointments by the president are the following postmasters: Drayton, A. H. Johnson; Pembina, E. K. Caviler.

Attorney Brynjolsson was over from Cavalier this week on legal business in Justice Aylen's court, and with the county board. His health is much improved.

J. H. Shaw, before leaving Hallock last week for his new home in Virginia, was presented with a handsome gold Past Master's jewel by his Masonic brethren.

The bill for opening the Red Lake reserve, introduced by Representative Steenerson, has passed both houses of congress and awaits the signature of the president.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Short, Mrs. W. J. Kneeshaw and Archie McDonald are all on the sick list this week. Mrs. Kneeshaw is getting better, but Mr. McDonald is threatened with pneumonia.

The Eastern Star social, on Monday evening was fairly well attended, though sickness kept quite a number at home. A very pleasant occasion is reported by those present.

Miss Bessie Dillon left last week for a prolonged visit with relatives in the west. If the climate agrees with her, it is probable that Mr. and Mrs. Dillon will also go west next fall to remain.

If we have the same continuation of weather as is shown by the extracts of the history of the winter of 1897 on the editorial page of this issue, it will last for a month yet before it thaws out.

The high school has a debating club organized and debate every Friday afternoon. Friends are welcome and invited. Last Friday there were several visitors and they were much pleased with the exercises.

The Winnipeg Free Press now sends its noon edition by express to the postmaster here for distribution to its mail subscribers. This gives us the latest war news obtainable during the day as the train arrives here at 4 o'clock. The Free Press is an up-to-date metropolitan newspaper, with full telegraphic service. Mr. Walter Webb, who sells the Free Press, has a big list of subscribers in this locality.

Scarlet fever is again in St. Thomas where it is reported there are eight or nine cases, and also one or two in Cavalier. In the latter place the schools were closed and public assemblies omitted on the appearance of the first case—which was the proper thing to do.

C. A. Gearhart of Crystal was a visitor in the city the first of the week. He is one of the "first ones," having come to this city the first time in March, 1877. He is the village blacksmith in his town and is known and liked by a large circle of friends.

Rev. Karr had something of interest to say last Sunday evening on the subject of foreign immigration to this country. It is a live topic for both the pulpit and the press. A million immigrants last year, mostly of the objectionable class. What are we going to do about it?

"Sixty two pounds to the bushel and no dockage for dirt, No. 1 Hard, highest market price," was the way Agent Carey of the Monarch elevator made out an elevator ticket last Friday for the new boy that Dr. Harris told him belonged in the family. May the boy never get mixed with wild oats.

John McCormick of Carlisle returned last week from an extended trip to the Fishing Lake district in Assiniboia, N. W. T., where he went to build on his claim. He reports towns springing up along the Yorkton branch, and that former residents of this county he saw out there are well contented.

Some farmers are writing to the papers that it pays to use formaldehyde on the seed, because, independent of the killing of smut, it improves the yield and shortens the time of ripening several days. There was considerable smut in this county last year and unless seed is treated there will be more this year.

Comrade Joe Gingrass, who spent the summer here in the vicinity of McArthur, has been back home this winter in Avoca, Iowa, and as he is returning here to make his home in the future, he was given by his comrades of U. S. Grant Post, G. A. R., a farewell feast, of which the Avoca Tribune gives an extended account, and testifies to the high esteem in which Comrade Gingrass is held by all his old neighbors and friends in that vicinity.

Mr. Nolan finally got here on time and was greeted by a good sized audience. As an entertainer he is all right and gave good satisfaction. While many of his stories were old, yet he dresses them up in such new and amusing ways that they are still interesting and funny. Mr. N. brings many smiles and not a few hearty laughs. His audience may not learn much, but they will be amused and to be merry when you can, is—wisdom.

Paul Johnson of Akra has been in the city this week shaking hands with his many old friends here. He has just returned from a trip to the coast and is now delivering a series of lectures in the western part of the county on his adventures and observations in that climate. We understand that he will give one of his lectures at the Icelandic Hall this evening in the Icelandic language. Mr. J. informs us that there are about 1,000 Icelanders out there in several settlements and most of them are doing well. He says (Rev.) Jonas Sigurdson, the former Icelandic preacher here, is about starting an Icelandic paper out there.

A case in justice court before Justice Aylen on Wednesday attracted considerable attention and considerable "parley." A hired man of the Martneau Bros., Pat Lashmaniere, persisted in crossing the premises of Martell while hauling wood from the bush, despite Martell's warnings to keep off his premises. Martell attempted to make the hired man go back and the hired man took his axe and threatened to do bodily harm to the plaintiff if he did not get out of the way and let him go on. Martell then came to town and swore out a complaint. Justice Aylen made the defendant give \$300 bonds to keep the peace and for his appearance at the next term of the district court. State's Atty. Brynjolsson and Geo. Peterson appeared for the state and E. W. Conroy for the deft.

Dr. Falloon will be at his office here all the time during March, but expects to be absent all of April.

Eureka harness oil 75 cts a gallon at KING & BOOKER'S
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For sale cheap at the ARMENIA ELEVATOR.

This community was shocked on Wednesday evening in receiving a telegram from Langdon that A. H. Murphy of Neche had committed suicide by shooting himself, the bullet entering in the region of the heart. Mr. Murphy was a young man, well thought of in the neighborhood, and of considerable business ability, and the cause for the rash act cannot be comprehended. He left two letters in the room of the hotel where he committed the deed, one directed to the Knights of Pythias lodge, concerning the funeral, and the other to a young lady contents of which is not known.

A Nice Trip.

Pembina has been alive with St. Louis Worlds Fair talk for some time, and the interest is on the increase, and if indications are not deceiving the greater portion of them will go via the Mississippi river route, and at the same time.

The St. Louis Exposition Transportation Company is an organization that will run a line of passenger steamers between St. Paul and St. Louis on schedule time, and they offer flattering inducements to the public. The boats will be equipped with modern conveniences, with state rooms, dining and concert halls on the main boat, while "a floating hotel," with sleeping accommodations will be in tow. At St. Louis the flotilla will be moored during the stay of seven days, near the exposition grounds and away from the bustle of the city, where one can take his meals and occupy the same berth without extra charge. If an extension of time or return home via railroad is desired, it will be done without extra cost. The round trip ticket from St. Paul, including board and room is \$80. An effort will be made to get up a whole boat load from Pembina and surrounding country, and leave about the first of June. F. C. Warner has the matter in charge.

A Big Enterprise.

Emerson people are expecting considerable improvements and increased business during the next season, due in part to its railroad facilities, present and prospective. A wholesale business house is also assured. A greater matter, however, is the proposed improvement of the water power of the Roseau river. Back from the Red river and distant about 16 miles from Dominion City and 24 miles from Emerson, there is a steep fall in the Roseau river of altogether 275 feet, with steep banks for all the distance. A company has been organized with a capital of \$200,000 to make these improvements. The material is now being gathered to build a 25 foot dam to begin with, which is expected to develop 3,000 horse power. This will be converted into electricity and will be taken to new flour mills to be built near the present or coming tracks of the railway. Electric light and perhaps power will also be brought to Emerson—and then how our neighbors will shine. Anyway, Emerson has evidently commenced a new era in her existence, she has funded her outstanding debt at the rate of 33c on the dollar and will soon go out of the hands of a receiver, where she has been for a dozen years or so, and will proceed to elect a new city government, which will be in a position to go some. We hope that the dreams that boomed Emerson in the early 80's are about to become realities, at least in part.

A Peculiar Case.

Before the lands were surveyed in this valley there was a trail from Winnipeg along the Red river to its source. Its limits were but poorly defined, but generally ran from point to point of the bends of the river. On this side of the line there have been decisions of the courts that such a road did not make a highway, and in most cases the present roadway has been made to conform to the section lines, as being the best for all. Over in Manitoba, however, the Hudson Bay Company, with their usual foresight, made out to the Dominion government that they had some sort of vested rights to this old trail, and so the government gave them, in lieu of the old trail, a strip of land one hundred and fifty feet in width, running from the boundary to Winnipeg. As the land has since been surveyed and settled, nobody has paid any attention to this strip, but it crosses through the town of West Emerson and thence across somebody's farms all of the way of the 65 miles to Winnipeg. It is probable that the matter will be finally fixed up by the government, but at present it is annoying and makes bad flaws on the titles of owners over whose property the supposed "highway" passes. We have always been glad that we did not have any Hudson Bay Company on this side of the line.

City Fruit Store.

For Saturday.

Lettuce, Celery, and other seasonable fruit.

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Social Corner.

Mrs. Metcalf of Drayton is spending a few days in the city, the guest of her sister, Mrs. I. D. Wallace.

A bus load went over to Emerson on Tuesday evening to a party given by Mrs. Vanworth, and all report a pleasant evening and a fine sleigh ride.

Miss Nellie Parker of this city was over at Cavalier visiting her sister, Miss Grace, teacher in the schools there, who was threatened with the grip.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Wallace entertained at an informal dinner last Thursday evening and again this week on Wednesday evening, at an enjoyable finch party. Four tables were played, and at a late hour a sumptuous lunch was served from the card tables.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Wilkins gave a pretty dinner Tuesday evening to a few of their intimate friends, the occasion being the christening of their little daughter, Ruth. Mr. and Mrs. Wilkins, Sr. of Drayton, came up for the happy event, and will stay and visit friends over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Full entertained Wednesday night with a charming finch party. The numerous affairs lately given at which finch has been used as a source of entertainment, speak for themselves as to its popularity. Near midnight a very dainty course of refreshments were served.

LOCAL WANTS.

Miss Hallson, at her dressmaking parlors above King & Booker's store, invites the patronage of the ladies of Pembina, and vicinity. All kind of sewing at reasonable prices. 3411

Feed Grinding.

To the Farmers: Bring in your Feed. We are prepared to grind it. One sack of ground feed is as good as two of whole grain. ARMENIA ELV. CO., 24 Pembina, N. D.

Mrs. John Little will do upholstering of old mattresses and furniture.

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A Whole Family.

Rev. L. A. Dunbar, of Mount Vernon, Mo., says:—"My children were afflicted with a cough resulting from measles, my wife with a cough that had prevented her sleeping more or less for five years, and your White Wine of Tar Syrup has cured them all." For sale by T. R. Shaw.

Teachers' Examination.

The next examination of applicants for Teachers' Certificates will be held in the school houses at St. Thomas and Pembina, March 11th and 12th, 1904, at 9 a.m. Uniform paper will be furnished.

W. J. ALEXANDER, Co. Supt. of Schools, Pembina, Feb. 19th, 1904.

Tenders for Building School House. Tenders for building a two-story, 24x36 frame school building in the village of Joliette, N. D., will be received by the undersigned until and including April 15th, 1904.

Building to be completed by August 1st, 1904.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of J. L. Pariseau, Joliette.

The board of trustees reserves the right to reject any or all tenders. Mark envelopes, "Tenders for Building School House." Address

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