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**MARKET REPORT.**

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	1 NOB	2 NOB	3 NOB	4 NOB	RECEIVED
Friday	89	86	82	78	69
Saturday	90	87	83	77	70
Monday	91	88	84	78	71
Tuesday	91	88	84	78	71
Wednesday	89	86	82	78	69
Thursday	87	84	80	74	67

Barley 84, Oats 38, Flax 1.83.

Mrs. Giltrud has moved into the Roy house in South Pembina.

President's message and McNamara confessions on inside pages.

Regular meeting of Degree of Honor on Wednesday. Election of officers.

Ed. Dunn went to Haminton last week to accept a position in O. H. Johnson's store as clerk.

James Parker has gone to Langdon to clerk in a new store being started there by Dr. Donovan.

Dr. Hood and family of Drayton were the guests of Dr. McQueen and family on Thanksgiving day.

Charles Atkinson went to Crystal on Wednesday to be present at a sale of horses, returning in the evening.

George Parker is suffering from a bad toe, which he injured some twenty years ago. It may be that amputation will be necessary.

Charles Buckley went to Rochester, Minn., on Sunday for surgical aid. He was accompanied by his wife and Mr. Simmons.

The sale of undrawn poultry is prohibited by law in this state, says Prof. Ladd. Such poultry is liable to seizure and the seller to prosecution.

The McCabe elevator at Cavalier was burned on Tuesday with about 10,000 bushels of wheat. The fire is supposed to have been caused by heated bearings.

The "royal" family on Bon Ton Ave., had a "homecoming" on Thanksgiving. All the princes and princesses were at the family dinner with the "King" and queen.

Mrs. F. C. Myrick Sr. entertained delightfully at dinner on Monday. Covers were laid for eight. After the bountiful repast, tables were placed and the game of 500 was enjoyed until a late hour.

The skating rink was formally opened Saturday evening with a full attendance of youngsters as well as older ones, and all week that amusement center has been well patronized. The warm weather has made the ice rather soft at times.

Mrs. Geo. L. Barron and son Gordon, of McArthur, left last week to spend the winter on the Pacific coast. They are now at Cusick, Washington, visiting J. E. Ashley's after which they will visit a brother of Mrs. Barron in Oregon.

Attorney H. B. Spiller has dissolved his connection with the Aug Short & Co. abstract business and will hereafter devote his whole time to his increasing law practice. Mr. Short has secured as an assistant, Mr. L. A. Wetherby of Wilton North Dakota.

A subscriber came in yesterday and remarked in his quaint manner, "That he guessed that his subscription to the Pioneer Express had about worn the soles off its shoes." We wonder how many others are thinking about their "barefooted" accounts with this paper.

Mike O'Reilly who was a resident of St. Vincent for many years but has resided in Crookston of late, died Wednesday. Mr. O'Reilly has been ailing for some time and for several weeks confined in the hospital. He was a single man, with a wide acquaintance. Several of his St. Vincent friends attended the funeral.

The man Oskar, who brought a girl to this country from Winnipeg for immoral purposes, and was arrested here by Inspector Thue, was sentenced last week at Fargo to ten years in the Leavenworth penitentiary. Reports from Winnipeg give him a bad previous reputation and the claim is made that he had already been in the Manitoba penitentiary three times.

The Firemen's ball has been set for New Year's night, Jan. 1st. This is one of the social events of the year, and in the past has met with great success. The committees are now busy in making arrangements that the present event shall eclipse all former occasions. The Grand Forks Orchestra of four pieces will furnish the music and the refreshments will be of the best obtainable. It will be held at the City Hall.

There was a public meeting of the High school literary society on Wednesday evening at the school house. With music and other interesting numbers, there was also a debate on the merits of "Initiative and Referendum" with Ted Wardwell and Edna Roadhouse in favor and Wesley Smillie and Mabel Peterson in the negative, and the latter won. The attendance was not as large as it should have been.

The city stores are putting on their Christmas dresses and already the kids and grown folks are looking into the gay windows with longing eyes and wondering what they will get themselves or what they will get for others. Country people will find Pembina a good place to come to for Christmas goods as all our merchants are putting in large stocks of both the useful and ornamental. It will pay to keep your eyes on our advertising columns for the next three weeks.

Consternation is great at Thief River Falls and other towns along the Red Lake river, including Grand Forks, because that river is practically dry. Grand Forks gets its city water from this river and about all its supply is from the branch called the Clearwater at that point. Log jams along the Red Lake river above Thief River Falls said to be the cause, as the Red Lake is said to be as full as usual. Application has been made to the U. S. government for assistance, by dredging out the sand bars at the source of the Red Lake river where it comes out of Red Lake.

The weather of the week has been perfect. Clear and pleasant and just cold enough to keep the snow from thawing. The sleighing is not good on the country roads as the snow is too thin. Beautiful moonlight nights have been a pleasant feature. Meanwhile some of the late threshing is being finished and farm-rs are getting things in shape for the real thing which is likely to appear at any time now. As we have said before in this paper, the man who prophesies cold weather for this country about Christmas and New Years will get a reputation for being weatherwise, as he will be right about nine times out of ten.

**Annual Meeting.**  
Pembina Chapter O. E. S. elected the following officers at their regular meeting Wednesday evening. Worthy Matron, Adeline Myrick, Worthy Patron, Frank M. King, Associate Matron, Lillie Heneman, Secretary, Lula H. Thompson, Treasurer, Judson LaMoure Jr., Conductress, Eliza Short.

After the business of the Chapter was transacted a recess was called and Worthy Patron, F. C. Myrick on behalf of the Chapter, took the opportunity to express appreciation of the faithful work done in the Chapter by Sisters, Vick and Felson. The former has served as secretary for the past six years, filling the difficult and responsible position with intelligence and efficiency. Her removal from our midst will be keenly felt. Sister Felson while a comparatively new member, has been most faithful in her position at the fourth point of the star for the past year, and we regret that one so capable must of necessity leave us. Inclosing the Worthy Patron presented Sister Vick and Sister Felson with an emblematic spoon, a tribute of love from the Sisters and Brothers of Pembina Chapter. Each responded graciously and expressed regret that circumstances would make it necessary to leave their home and friends in Pembina. Light refreshments were served and an hour of sociability followed.

**Boarders and Meals.**  
Can accommodate a few steady boarders and furnish meals to transients at reasonable rates.  
MRS. W. J. MOULDS.

**Dairy Lunch and Sale**

**of Fancy Work.**  
The ladies of the Methodist church will serve dairy lunch in the council room of the City Hall, Saturday afternoon, December 9th, from 3 to 7 o'clock. Bill of Fare: Coffee 5c, Beans 5c, Sandwiches 5c, Rolls 5c, Pie 5c.

A variety of fancy articles appropriate for Christmas presents will be offered for sale.

**Died.**

On Tuesday morning Mrs. W. H. Wright, of Bathgate who has made such a brave fight for life for the past six weeks succumbed to pneumonia and resultant troubles. Her death comes as a severe blow to all of the community. The bereaved children and husband have the heartfelt sympathy of the entire county, for the Wrights are known and respected throughout its length and breadth. The funeral cortege proceeded from the house on Wednesday at 1 a. m. to the M. E. Church, where Rev. Ensign conducted services. Interment was made in the Hamilton cemetery.

**Four Fires.**

Emerson has a "fire bug" operating in its midst and the citizens are up in arms to locate the guilty parties. So far the incendiarism has been directed at barns and within the last month four barns have been set on fire. The barns of the Anglo American Hotel and the Russell House were each put on fire at different times two weeks ago and partly destroyed. On Thursday evening last Mayor Whitman's barn burned to the ground, after a heroic fight by the fire department to save adjacent buildings. As they were rolling up the hose Mr. Watson's livery barn, a block away, one of the largest barns in these parts, was discovered on fire. About eleven o'clock it was got under control, but not until a \$2,500 damage was sustained. Mr. Watson carried \$1,200 insurance and the others had nominal amounts.

A stranger who had been working in the neighborhood this fall, and had been spending his idle time around town was arrested on suspicion but there was not sufficient evidence to hold him, and he turned out to be a Yankee and was deported across the 49th parallel.

**Under Arrest.**

David McLarty, son of Donald McLarty of Neche, is suffering from an attack of scarlet fever. David had been attending the Agricultural College at Fargo and shortly after going there contracted diphtheria. After being discharged from the hospital he came home and feeling ill consulted a physician and was informed that he had scarlet fever. The family is in quarantine and no spread of the disease is expected. Dr. Soley is attending the sick man, who is doing nicely.

Last Sunday evening two gentlemen left the city with a bunch of goods that were taken from the store of Hilmer Lindberg. The men were Roy Buell and Peter Klyne. Buell has been in the employ of Mr. Lindberg the past month and Klyne has been in this vicinity the past fall working here and at St. Thomas. They got away with about \$60 in cash, 13 gold watches some clothing and other articles. The boys left Sunday evening on the flyer and were not suspected of any robbery until Mr. Lindberg came to the store Monday morning. Officials have been notified and it is hoped that they will be found in a short time.—Drayton Echo.

The two men referred to above were arrested in Winnipeg Monday, while enjoying themselves in a moving picture show. Deputy Sheriff Sonderman went to Winnipeg the following day and with the assistance of the Winnipeg police department, recovered twelve of the thirteen watches in different pawn shops and some had been sold direct to private parties, and the overcoats were worn by the two thieves. The two waived extradition and were brought to Drayton where they had their hearing before a justice and were sent up for trial at the district court. Mr. Sonderman says he has the thirteenth watch located and will recover it soon.

**Events Announced.**

M. E. Ladies Aid; Social and Sale, December 8th.  
Ladies R. C. Church; Fair, December 14th.  
Joint installation Masonic and O. E. S. lodges December 11th.  
Xmas Exercises, Presbyterian, Saturday, December 23rd.  
Xmas Exercises, Methodist, Monday, December 25th.  
Firemen's Ball, January 1st.

**Cheap Land.**

Make me a cash offer on the southeast quarter of section 18, township 162, range 51, near Joliette, N. D. Mortgage \$1,500, at 7 per cent.

J. G. BALDERSON.  
1385 Ashland Ave., St. Paul, Minn.

Ice by the load, or packed in ice boxes for the summer, phone 19.

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**Wanted.**  
Competent girl for general housework. Good wages. Apply to  
MRS. G. M. BAER,  
Grafton, N. D.

For Sale—160 acres of well improved land, near Carlisle. I will positively sell this farm for less than it is worth. Write in for price and terms.  
FRED SLOAN,  
Owner, New Boston, Ill.

**Pupils Neither Tardy or Absent.**

Names followed by stars are those of pupils who have been perfect in attendance for the whole term, the other names are those who have not been tardy or absent for the month of November. High School.—Olive Armstrong, Alice Asseltine, Dorothy Basken, Elizabeth Booker, Florence Buckley, Bart Conny, Irene Eastman, Violet Eastman, Wilhelmina Feldman, Curtis Figley, Edith Hales, Rhoda Harvey, Mabel Langton, Maud Langton, Cameron McKay, Alfred Stevenson, Walter Morris, Esther Shaw, Eleanor Short, Vernon Thompson, Leta Webb, Chas. Busch, Jacob Busch, Wesley Smillie.

Seventh and Eight Grades.—Edward Brennan, May Giltrud, Beatrice Lindsay, Marguerite Moorehead, Myrtle Wright, Robert Wardwell, Warren Langton, Dora Allen, James Conny, Jack Chisholm, Everest Fowler, Richmond Quackenbush, Rose Rondeau, Isabel Shaw, Rosa Peterson, James Moorhead, Wilbur Lowe.

Fifth and Sixth Grades.—Verneita Thompson, Albert Lindsay, Herbert Wright, Mervyn Harvey, Sig. Leifur, Ralph Heneman, Ada Booker, Virginia Short, Caroline Peterson, Adna Wardwell, Amy Hales, Emma Cosley, Rose Feldman, Ruth Anderson, Florence Newell, Emily Paulson, Irma Desrosiers, Madeline Pasco.

Third and Fourth Grades.—Thos. McQueen, Christine Oliver, Hannah Olson, Victor Paulson, Fred Shaw, Curtis Thue, Deward Thue, Dorothy Booker, Harry Cosley, Annetta Fowler, Clark Griffith, Orvell Grombo, Allen Heneman, Leslie Heneman, Laney Hannesson, David Lindsay, Knight Shumaker, Franklin Lowe, Harold Moorhead, Gestur Gillies, Albert Bouvette, Nprval Ardies.

First and Second Grades.—Maggie Cosley, Michael Giltrud, Alice Grumbo, Henrik Hannesson, Ragnar Hannesson, Steve Johnson, Helga Landseidel, May Langton, York Langton, Olive Lowe, Martin Maier, Adeline Myrick, Francis Myrick, Clyde Newell, Eva Newton, Edith Patterson, Thomas Rondeau, Lily Thue, Pearl Thue, Emma Trudell, Florence Trudell, Muriel Trudell, Edsall Winlaw.

Next month all names of those whose average standing in all studies is 90 or over will be also reported.

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**Farm for Rent.**

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Four or five good farm teams for sale cheap.

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**House for Sale at a Sacrifice.**

Going away. Must sell my fine, large 8 room house. Good cistern, cellar, woodshed and well. Large barn with loft and buggy shed.

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Pembina, N. D.

**New Wood Yard.**

I have opened a wood yard in connection with my bakery where I will be ready to deliver all kinds of wood at reasonable prices. All sales will be strictly cash.  
T. DESROSIER.

**Not a Word of Scandal**

marred the call of a neighbor on Mrs. W. P. Spangh, of Manville, Wyo., who said: "she told me Dr. King's New Life Pills had cured her of obstinate kidney trouble, and made her feel like a new woman." Easy, but sure remedy for stomach, liver and kidney troubles. Only 25c at City Pharmacy.

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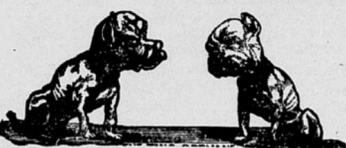


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