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THE HAND OF DEATH

It Rests Heavily Upon Several Families This Week.

MORTALITY QUITE UNUSUAL

Mr. and Mrs. August Neuman Die Within an Hour of Each Other.

Dan O'Donnel, a prominent farmer of the town of Swan River, died at his home in that town early Monday morning, of heart disease, aged 42 years.

Mr. O'Donnel was ill with inflammatory rheumatism about fifteen years ago, and had never been real well since. Heart disease developed, and for the last few years he had been quite feeble. Henry Kinney, Mr. O'Donnel's nephew, lived with him. Mrs. O'Donnel having died nine years ago. About 3 o'clock Monday morning Mr. O'Donnel called his nephew to him, and asked to be put in an arm chair—then told Kinney to open the door. Then he asked to be put back on the bed, but before Kinney reached him he was dead.

Mr. O'Donnel was born in St. Louis, Mo. He came to this county in 1872 with his parents, who survive him, besides five sisters and two brothers. The deceased ranked high in the estimation of his neighbors as a good, sincere, honest man, and all who knew him can endorse that estimate. His town showed its confidence in him by repeatedly electing him town clerk. He had just commenced his fourteenth term when death came to him.

The funeral took place at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning from the Catholic church at Elm Dale, and was largely attended.

Mrs. Rebecca J. Foss, wife of John A. Foss, died at her home in this city Tuesday night at 11:30 o'clock, after a long illness, aged 47 years and 6 months.

Mrs. Foss has been sick for about four years, and during the last few months, suffered greatly from a complication of heart disease and erysipelas. Her death had been expected for about two weeks.

Rebecca Foss (nee Wright) was born in Syracuse, New York, and moved to Wisconsin during childhood. She moved to Little Falls from West Superior, Wis., in 1892, and had a large circle of friends who will sincerely mourn her taking away.

Besides her husband and a daughter about 14 years of age, Mrs. Foss leaves two sisters and a brother—Mrs. Edward Henry, of West Superior, Mrs. S. A. McVicker, of Grand Rapids, both of whom were present during the last days, and W. S. Wright, of Hudson, Wis.

The funeral took place from the residence at 2 o'clock yesterday, Rev. F. A. Sumner, of the Congregational church, conducting the services.

Our Pierz correspondent has the following on the death of Ignatius Bednar:

Ignatius Bednar, one of our old settlers died last Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock, of pneumonia, at the age of 48 years. Mr. Bednar came from Bohemia 26 years ago and has resided in the town of Pierz ever since. He has been a successful farmer. His place is located one and a half mile southwest of the village of Pierz. The funeral took place last Tuesday forenoon at 9 o'clock. The St. Joseph society to which he belonged escorted the remains to their last resting place, back of St. Joseph church. This was the first death that occurred in the society. The Little German Band led the procession. It was the largest and most imposing funeral ever held here. Rev. Father Nagel, our venerable priest, officiated. Mr. Bednar leaves a widow and nine children, also a father, two brothers and three sisters, besides a larger number of relatives to mourn his early loss. May he rest in peace.

"In death they are not divided." Mr. and Mrs. August Neuman, of Milwaukee, died at the home of their son Julius, at Gravelville, yesterday morning, within an hour of each other. Mrs. Neuman's death was not unexpected, as she had been suffering from dropsy for some time. Mr.

Neuman died at eight o'clock and his wife an hour later. Mr. Neuman was 85 years of age, and his death is attributed to old age. Mrs. Neuman was 80 years of age. Both were natives of Pomerania, Germany, and came to America in 1868, settling at Chicago. From there they moved to Milwaukee, which has since been their home. Last summer they came to Minnesota to visit their son Julius, who has charge of the Gravelville mill, and intended to go back this summer. Besides Julius, they leave two sons, Charles, of Chicago, and George, of Milwaukee, the latter of whom is expected to be present at the funeral. The funeral will take place from the Swedish Lutheran church in this city next Sunday afternoon at one o'clock, and interment will be made in Oakland cemetery.

Ralph, four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Gillette, died Sunday evening, of spinal meningitis, after a brief illness. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the residence, and the remains interred in Oakland. The family have the condolence of their friends in their trouble.

Ora, the four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Delphie Rocheleau, died yesterday morning of diphtheria, after a short illness. The remains were interred in the Belle Prairie cemetery in the afternoon.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Jarvis died Thursday of last week, of measles, and was buried Friday.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Christ Gunderson, of the West side, died Sunday evening, and was buried Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Flynn, father and mother of Hon. J. C. Flynn, died at their home in Cannon Falls, Minn., within a few days of each other, two weeks ago. Mr. Flynn's friends in Little Falls will condole with him in his double affliction. The following is taken from the Cannon Falls Beacon:

Jonathan Flynn died at his residence in Cannon Falls on Thursday night, March 31, and on Monday morning, April 4, his faithful wife followed him to that better world. The children of the deceased were summoned in time and all arrived before the death of the father except John Flynn, who did not arrive from Grand Forks, N. D., in time to see his father alive, but all were present at the time of their mother's death.

Jonathan Flynn was born Oct. 4, 1812, in Roscommon county, Ireland, eight miles from Athlone. In 1836 he emigrated to America, settling in Roxbury, Mass. Margaret Curley was born in Roscommon county, Ireland, Nov. 15, 1818, and arrived in Boston, Mass., in June, 1835. Mr. Flynn and Miss Curley were married in Boston Oct. 14, 1841. In 1859 they reached Cannon Falls and settled on a farm in Cannon Falls township. In September, 1861, Mr. Flynn enlisted at Red Wing in the First Minnesota infantry.

For many years they have been residents of the village of Cannon Falls, enjoying the highest esteem of all acquaintances.

There are four surviving children, viz. Hon. J. C. Flynn, W. W. Flynn, John Flynn, Mrs. P. L. Collins, and a grandson, Frank Flynn.

The funeral took place from the Catholic church, Monday morning, the 5th, inst., Rev. R. J. Fitzgerald officiating.

Parish Meeting.

The annual parish meeting of the Church of Our Savior was held Monday afternoon. The following were elected:

Wardens: T. W. Mann, C. H. Brown. Vestrymen: T. W. Mann, C. H. Brown, M. M. Williams, H. H. Tanner, L. M. Roberts, A. R. Davidson, R. D. Mussar, H. A. Rider, E. F. Shaw and G. W. Massy.

The vestry elected T. W. Mann for treasurer and H. H. Tanner secretary.

Paul Krottochinski, of Swan River, is quite ill with pneumonia.

The little son—five years old—of Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Staples, is sick with bronchitis.

Rev. D. J. Grove, from Brainerd, will deliver his farewell address in the Norwegian Lutheran church next Sunday at 10:30.

ILLEGALLY COMMITTED

Mistakes of a Justice Saves a Young Woman from Imprisonment.

Constable Morrill, of Royalton, brought Miss Frances Wise, of Buckman, to Little Falls Wednesday, to be placed in the county jail, under commitment by Justice Dragoo, of Royalton. A squabble between the prisoner and Mrs. N. Kunz, of Buckman, on the way home from church Sunday, resulted in the conviction of Miss Wise for assault, before Justice Dragoo. Richard Clark of Royalton attorney for the prisoner, came up with her, and secured her release, as County Attorney Lyon decided that the commitment was defective in several particulars, not showing that the defendant had waived jury trial, and not stating term of commitment.

Geo. H. Walker, of West Superior, Wis., was in town Saturday, considering Little Falls' adaptability for a department store. Mr. Walker said he represented several gentlemen who intended to put in a store of that kind, and he had been visiting several towns in search of a location. He was favorably impressed with Little Falls, but came to no decision.

A. L. Cole was interviewed by the Brainerd Journal, with the following result: "It is true that I was asked when in St. Cloud a few days ago whether I would be a candidate for the senate this fall, and I replied by saying that I had been too busy to give the subject of local politics a thought. I did not even imply that I would be a candidate for any office, or that I would accept a nomination if tendered me. And I want to say now that if I ever want to declare myself a candidate for office, or want to express a willingness to accept a nomination, if it is tendered to me, I will not leave my district and go to some other part of the state to make the matter known."

That Buckman Saloon.

BUCKMAN, March 2, 1898.

EDITOR HERALD:

It was stated in last week's Herald that a certain person went to Little Falls from Buckman to prevent Jos. Hortsch from getting a license. The law is to have no saloon within 1500 feet of a schoolhouse, but there have been saloons ever since 1893, from 400 to 800 feet from the school house, and the certain person was not at Little Falls to be against license, but is going to start a saloon in the fall within 1500 feet of the school house, and just went to Little Falls to see if the county commissioners had a right to violate the school laws.

Yours truly,
THE CERTAIN PERSON.

Last Friday's Transcript contained an article which was unusually full of the mendacity which seems to have become characteristic of that paper when speaking of those connected with the city administration. It is charged therein that Officer Heroux showed his unfitness by arresting and putting in jail on Thursday night of last week a lad about 15 years of age, who was disturbing the Salvation Army meeting. For some time several boys have amused themselves in making trouble at the Army meetings, and it was time to put a stop to it. The boy in question, when the officer approached, threatened him with a large pocket knife, which the officer took away from him, and collared him at the same time. The boy was not roughly treated. He was badly scared, which was the intention. The Transcript's statement that the boy was to be kept in jail all night is untrue, as the matter was reported to the mayor shortly after, and the officer was directed to release the boy. The further statement that a son of the officer had a fight recently with the lad arrested, is a clumsy untruth. The whole animus of the article is a personal spite which its writer has toward the officer. The basis of most of the Transcript's articles or the police have the same creditable basis.

A. Gustafson, a farmer, is here from Sanborn, N. D., to locate on his land west of town.

Olaf Halme has recovered from his severe illness and resumed work as night foreman in the planing mill.

Dr. W. S. Cuff, who practiced medicine in the city for a few fleeting hours recently, has located at Hancock.

Residents in the southern part of the city would like the sidewalk on Second street extended to the hospital.

Dr. G. M. A. Fortier has purchased the Tuttle residence property, corner Second avenue and Third street northeast.

The state board of pardons denied the application of John Welter for pardon. Welter was sentenced from this county April 20, 1894, for life.

John Denis is putting in a new lathe in his West side iron works. The lathe is for extra heavy work, and is the largest in this section.

Marquette Court, No. 586, Catholic Order of Foresters, will attend communion services in a body at the German Catholic church next Sunday morning.

An operation has been performed on Johnson, the tramp who was suffering from frozen feet, and who is now at the hospital. Owing to the man's weak state, another operation will be necessary. In addition to his other injuries, Johnson's arm was broken.

F. A. Lindbergh has bought from H. Thorsen, for \$1,000, the residence property on First avenue northeast, south of C. B. Buckman's residence. Fred Cary will occupy the Flynn residence as soon as it is vacated by Mr. Lindbergh and Chester Rogers will move into his residence, now occupied by Mr. Cary.

A special train carrying colored troops to the south passed through the city Tuesday afternoon as the second section of No. 2. The soldiers were Companies B, F, G and H from Fort Missoula, and Lieutenant Hunt and eighteen privates from old Fort Custer. The colored troops belong to the 25th infantry, Andrew S. Burt, colonel commanding. The equipment, ammunition, supplies, horses and ambulance of the regiment went through on a special of fourteen cars in the morning. The regiment is en route to Chickamauga, Tennessee, to go into camp.

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THE CAMPAIGN OF 1898

To the voters of the state of Minnesota.

The central committee of the democratic party of Minnesota, considers it fitting that they should at this time explain the motives which actuated the committee in fixing the time and place for the state convention this year.

We are now in the second year of the republican national administration, and the first of the promises made by that party during the campaign of 1896 has yet to be fulfilled. The mills have not been opened, the currency laws have not been reformed, confidence has not been restored, prosperity has not returned, sufficient revenues to provide for the ordinary expenses of the government have not been provided. Vacillation and inefficiency have marked every act of the administration except in the protection of corporations and in furthering the interests of trusts.

The republican administration in this state presents in an exaggerated form all the evils of the national administration. For forty years the republican party has had absolute control of the legislation and administration of public affairs in the state of Minnesota, and the people, therefore, have a right to ask that party to give an account of its stewardship.

In natural resources Minnesota has been peculiarly blessed. With a fruitful soil abundantly watered, with magnificent forests, with inexhaustible mines and abundant waterways or transportation, the possibilities for prosperity and happiness to the people of this state are boundless. In the absence of special privileges being granted, by means of which a few could monopolize the natural wealth of this state, general happiness and prosperity must have come. Unfortunately, however, our public servants have seen fit to grant such license to monopoly and corporate greed, that the wealth of the state provided by a beneficent Providence for the benefit of the people has been diverted to the use and enrichment of a few.

The total area of Minnesota is about 49,000,000 acres; more than 10,000,000 acres have already been deeded to railroad corporations under various land grants, and the total amount claimed by them under land grants already made amounts to nearly 20,000,000 acres. At a fair valuation this would amount to sufficient to rebuild and re-equip every mile of railroad in the state of Minnesota.

Unjust discrimination in freight rates is notorious, and to such an extent has this been carried in that portion of the state where iron mines are found that such mines are practically valueless when owned by those who are so unfortunate as not to belong to the syndicate which controls the adjacent land. And yet yesterday, when the interstate commerce commission met in St. Paul, the pitiful spectacle was seen of representative business men fleeing the state to avoid testifying to their illegal transactions.

Whenever through the inadvertence of the railway managers a valuable piece of land appropriated to the state for educational purposes has been overlooked, some political favorite has obtained it for an inadequate price. And when a legislature was found independent enough to pass a law providing for the taxation of railroad lands the republican managers went to the extent of robbing a duly elected member of the senate of his right to seat in that body for the purpose of furnishing the railroad companies with a technical legal defense through which they hope to defeat the solemnly expressed will of the people.

Under the fostering care of the republican administration of this state the value of railroad properties has increased enormously. This is no mere idle statement, for that such is the fact was solemnly adjudicated by our supreme court in the famous Steenerson rate case. That a proportionate increase in the holdings of the people generally has

not taken place is proved by no less an authority than the present republican state auditor. Mr. Dunn says in his report for 1895-6. " * * * We are at this time confronted with these undeniable facts: The general expenditures of the state are rapidly increasing and the valuation of taxable property decreasing.

Republican policy for forty years has resulted, therefore, in the enrichment and aggrandizement of the corporations and the impoverishment of the people generally.

It has become a by-word that the republican office-holders of this state and the representatives of this state in both houses of congress submit, with a subserviency that does violence to one's idea of American manhood, to the dictation of the great corporate magnates of the northwest.

The foregoing are a few of the many reasons which led the committee to believe that the issue now is the same as it was two years ago, viz: "Shall the people or the corporations govern this commonwealth?" The forces which opposed "Hannanism" in 1896, oppose "Hannanism" today. The party which supported that obnoxious principle then, supports it now.

Since the election of 1896 this committee believed it its duty to proceed upon the following lines:

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First—To organize with as much thoroughness as possible the democratic party of the state of Minnesota. Second—To studiously refrain from interfering to the slightest extent with the organization of any other party. Third—To so conduct its work that future co-operation between independent parties uniting however in opposition to the republican party would be possible.

And for the purpose of enabling the duly authorized delegates of the democratic and people's party respectively, to freely, fully and deliberately decide for themselves whether or not such co-operation is possible and desirable, the date for the democratic state convention was fixed at the same time and place as fixed for the convention of the people's party of this state.

In conclusion, this committee expresses its deliberate conviction that no matter who the nominee of the republican party may be he will be merely the puppet of the men who are responsible for all the evil already referred to. To remedy such evils is a Herculean task, at best, but is impossible without brave and thoughtful action upon the part of the masses.

If this committee has or hereafter may be able in any way to assist in producing a result so desirable its members will feel fully repaid for the time given by them, and the many personal inconveniences they have endured.

DEMOCRATIC STATE CENTRAL COM.,
By A. L. Rosing, Chairman.

The Duluth News-Tribune lately had an item to the effect that C. I. McNair, of Little Falls, was representing an eastern syndicate which intends to build a pulp mill at Cloquet. The syndicate's capital was given at \$400,000. Mr. McNair said that the News-Tribune knew more about it than he did.