

## The Tomelty Store News.

### Great Alteration Sale Continued!

Customers of this store will have patience with us during this alteration—it is carpenters or painters all over the store, where ever you go the noise of the hammer or saw is heard, but it is all for the betterment of this big store.

### The Growth of Their Business

Demands more room and we have to get it at any cost. Most everything is to be changed on the main floor and basement during this alteration.

The dust during these alterations has a tendency to hurt the goods and in order to not have to sell them as damaged goods after the alteration, a lot will be sold now at a third and sometimes at a half off the regular price.

### Alteration sale in the dress goods store

Bear in mind we are only fooling with the Twin Cities' stores in buying and when it comes to selling we can easily name prices on dress goods lower than they, as they pay four times as much every year for rental alone not to say anything of other expenses.

Here is a lot of new comers in dress goods, notice the price.

500 yards of the very prettiest of Cotton Dress stuffs worth up to 75c. Our price 50c.

400 yards of pretty fluffy Cotton Goods worth 35c. Our price 25c. a yard.

300 yards of Red Seal Gingham—a little the worse of dust—worth 10c. Our price 7c. a yd.

600 yards of remnants, from 5 to 20 yards to a piece, has sold for 25c. up till today. Now 17c. a yard as long as they last.

The above lots won't last long so get them while you can.

### Pretty Hats cheap in the millinery department

500 new and pretty Hats are here and commenced selling them this morning. The great success of our millinery department has prompted many to imitate us but bear in mind, there is only one Tomelty store in the state and that one is in Little Falls, and that is the place to get your hats at a reasonable price. As soon as we throw out our hats on a bargain tables just come and watch them move out. It is our reasonable prices that does it. And take this from us that we never had a stronger, better, more complete and prettier line than we have this year. Read on.

A nice ready-to-wear street hat \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75.

A still better walking hat \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.50.

Then there are the high grade hats \$3.00, \$5.00, \$7.50.

Alteration sale of glassware one-fourth off

Nice table sets of 4 pieces worth 40c. now 30c.

Nice table sets of 4 pieces worth 60c. now 45c.

Nice table sets of 4 pieces worth 50c. now 38c.

Nice cake stands worth 30c. now 22c.

Nice cake stands worth 25c. now 19c.



### Pretty Flowers at little prices

There are plenty of pretty Flowers; Chiffons and Ribbons here at very little prices. You can buy them and do your own trimming.

Pretty Roses, pink, red and white at 10c.

Pretty assorted Flowers too numerous to mention 15c., 18c., 20c., 25c.

Very nice Chiffons and Veilings 10c., 12c., 15c., 20c., 25c. a yard.

You are all welcome to come and look through our pretty hats whether you buy or not.

### Pretty Groceries bargains in the Basement

20 patterns of decorated Dinnerware here.

15 patterns of fine China for your selection

There are some of the prettiest White Semi-Porcelain here you ever saw and don't cost much either.

Then we have the plain White Haviland China, also the plain White Syracuse China. All in all ours is a complete China and Crockery store—none so complete from St. Paul to Seattle.

### Dinner sets, tea sets, or odd pieces at very low prices

Dinner Sets at \$12.00 that were \$16.50.

“ “ \$10.00 “ \$12.50.

“ “ \$ 7.50 “ \$10.00.

“ “ \$ 8.50 “ \$11.50.

A set of 6 Cups and Saucers at 90c. that were \$1.20.

A set of 6 Cups and Saucers at 75c. that were 90c.

There are a lot of large white Coffee Cups that we always sold at 10c. a pair, this week 7c. a pair.

Odds and ends and broken lots slightly damaged half price and less.

In moving these goods we don't handle them as careful as you do so there has been a lot of pieces slightly damaged. Come in and see them. You are sure to find just what you want.

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Born—To Mr. and Mrs. John Cairns, April 1st, a daughter.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Coenen, March 31st, a daughter.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lifford, March 26th, a son.

"Uncle Tom's Cabin" at the opera house next Wednesday.

Mrs. Franz will move into her new house east of the brewery Saturday.

Banditi Pioneer: Barney Burton purchased a fine team of work horses from Joe Smart Saturday.

Senal Doucette of Belle Prairie will be operated on for hernia at the hospital tomorrow, by Dr. Fortier.

The city council will finish up its business for the year Monday night, and the new council meets Tuesday night for organization.

Edward Landwer and family of Ausland left Thursday for New Ulm where they intend to make their future home. Fred Stroming of Ausland accompanied them.

The bill for an additional judge in this district passed the house Friday. Mr. Rider has had quite a struggle to get this bill through and deserves credit for his success.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wetzel and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Berg returned the first part of the week from California. They left here early in January, and had a very pleasant trip.

Crawford Sheldon has been appointed county agent for Morrison county at the Soldiers' home, in place of D. Corbin, resigned. Applications for state aid and admittance to the Soldiers' home must be made to Mr. Sheldon at the city hall.

David Gaboury, for many years town clerk of Ripley, and re-elected at the last election, was in the city Tuesday. Mr. Gaboury says that the outlook is for late seeding this year. Mr. Dureau and Louis Odette of Ripley are going to move to the Saskatchewan Valley in Canada.

Superintendent C. R. Frazier of this city was elected president of the Northern Minnesota Educational Association at St. Cloud Saturday. The election is a merited tribute to Mr. Frazier, who has, since his removal from the southern part of the state, taken an active and valuable part in the work of the association.

Miss Lillian George will give up her position at the Columbia school this week and leave for her home in Michigan, where she finds it necessary to return. The patrons of the school will exceedingly regret the loss of Miss George, whose very efficient and capable work has endeared her to the pupils and been recognized by the parents of the pupils.

Mitaca Times: D. H. Robbins of Vineland, says that the work of removing the Mille Laes band of Chippewas to White Earth is not a very promising proposition. The method instituted by Agent Michelet will cost the government \$150,000, and consume an interminable period of time, according to Mr. Robbins. He says he does not think he will close his contract to move the Indians as far on their way as Brainerd unless a more expeditious plan is adopted by the agent.

Wm. Gross, who visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Gross, in this city last week, is traveling on the Pacific coast for Wm. & Partridge of Minneapolis and has the largest territory of any of the one hundred and thirty on the road for that company. He carries twenty trunks of samples and visits the home office twice a year. Through his efforts a large trade has been established on the coast and an addition of two men will be added to work the field and possibly a third will be put on. Mr. Gross will have a permanent office at Portland and that will be his headquarters for the western territory over which he will have full charge.

### FRANK PARKER PROMOTED.

Sank Centre Herald: Frank Parker formerly of this city and for the past year chief clerk at the Billingsmont, for the Northern Pacific Railway Co., has been appointed traveling auditor for that company and his many friends will be pleased to hear of his promotion. We are informed that it is territory will be arranged that he can make his headquarters in this city. Mr. Parker entered the service of the Northern Pacific company ten years ago, commencing as freight clerk at Little Falls and from this position was promoted to day baggage man at the same place. Eight years ago he accepted clerkship with Mr. Ward in the N. P. office at his place, where he was employed until one year ago when he was sent west. He will begin his new labors about April 1, and will be congratulated on his advancement.

My wife, Josephina Berend, having left my bed and table, and that account I will not pay any debt she may make. Joseph Berend, Little Falls, Minn., April 2, 1903.

Sheriff Tanner brought J. J. Lynch and F. A. Madigan up from Minneapolis Tuesday night. They belonged to the bridge crew and are alleged to have broken into the tool house last Friday night, stealing various instruments belonging to Neil Peterson.

### March Apportionment.

County Auditor Butler has completed the March apportionment of taxes paid into the county treasury. By this settlement county revenue warrants issued up to Feb. 16, 1903, are payable. The next settlement, in June, is always a large one, and indications are that it will be larger this year than ever. All floating indebtedness of the county will, it is expected, be wiped out at that time, and there will be a surplus in the treasury. The total settlement was \$42,660.94, divided as follows:

State revenue	\$ 1697.84
County revenue	6169.82
County road and bridge	1256.73
State school	1513.46
Stinking fund	125.90
County bonds	211.77
School districts	16875.94

Total.....\$ 29751.46

Town, villages and city..... 12999.48

Total settlement...\$ 42660.94

The following is the apportionment to the towns, villages and city:

Agram	\$ 98.63
Belle Prairie	336.04
Buckman	164.64
Buh	563.71
Chough	322.12
Culdrum	71.85
Cushing	266.47
Elm Dale	65.93
Granite	173.61
Green Prairie	180.01
Hilman	77.26
Lukio	87.45
Little Falls city	32.71
Little Falls town	6836.51
Morrill	252.46
Motley	120.13
Mt. Morris	193.87
Parker	27.94
Piers	149.71
Pike Creek	455.59
Ripley	314.03
Ripley	48.53
Ripley	83.97
Ripley	159.35
Ripley	214.38
Ripley	75.89
Ripley	292.61
Ripley	22.22
Royalton village	211.52
Scandia Valley	107.88
Swan River	278.65
Swanville village	55.82
Swanville town	372.43
Two Rivers	214.99

The city settlement is as follows:

Revenue fund	\$ 3554.78
Poor	1108.70
Infectious diseases	50.00
Bonds	1260.86
Building	307.89
Sewer	213.02
Library	131.03
Sidewalk	3.30
Street sprinkling	6.22
Penalties	200.71

Total.....\$6836.51

This out the city treasury in excellent condition, and will enable the council to pay the poor bills which have accumulated, the poor fund having been exhausted some time ago. For this year a larger levy has been made for the poor fund, and this trouble is not likely to occur again.

### DECLAMATORY CONTEST

#### Tonight at Opera House Between the Four Classes.

- Palma—Instrumental solo.....Herold
- Myrtle Kader
- FRESHMAN CLASS
- "The Last Days of Heracles".....Frankie Fortler
- "Toussaint Overture".....Florence Barabart
- SOPHOMORE CLASS
- "The Unknown Speaker".....Stanton Cawley
- Selection from "As You Like It".....Alice Anderson
- "La Carmela".....Gilbert
- Mia Trace
- JUNIOR CLASS
- "The Sioux Chief's Daughter".....Pearl Longloy
- "The Debating Society".....Sidney Mann
- SENIOR CLASS
- "Rienzi"—The Last of the Roman Tribunes.....Agnes Duncan
- "The Evils of War".....Florence Baker
- "In the Shade of the Palm".....Selected
- Laura Brauna
- "Waiting 'Neath the Blossoms".....Selected
- Corra Carley, Nellie Carley
- Hungarian Love Song.....Roelcke
- Mamie Nichols
- Judges' Decision
- Presentation of Prizes

### Wanted to Suicide.

Agnes Edna, the fifteen-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hurley, and Harrison Taylor, were married Tuesday evening by Judge Shaw. A little later the bride's mother, with two little children, tried to get a bottle of laudanum at Wetzels' drug store. The request was refused. Her relatives tried to induce her to go home, but she went to Welling's drug store and her request was again refused. Then she went home.

Mr. and Mrs. Hurley lived here some years ago. They then moved to Swanville, then to Long Prairie. Mr. Hurley moved from Long Prairie a short time ago intending to separate from his wife, but she followed him here. He claims that his wife has some undesirable acquaintances and that their married life had been very unhappy for many years. He intimated that he would try to get a divorce. Mrs. Hurley said she was tired of living, and that death would end all her troubles.

It is likely that the couple will separate.

The Beckwith recital at the opera house Monday night, the last number in the High school lecture course, was a very successful and enjoyable entertainment, and the audience was pleased and satisfied. Prof. and Mrs. Beckwith will certainly be heartily welcome wherever they appear here again.

### N. P. WAR WITH SOO.

#### Talk of Building Another Railroad Cut-off.

The St. Paul Dispatch says a Soo line is announced that it intends to build from Glenwood north through Alexandria and Otter Tail county may precipitate an interesting building war between that company and the Northern Pacific for possession of covered territory.

The Northern Pacific is reported to have thrown a large number of surveys into the field, surveying a cut-off from Vining to Swanville, and possibly to Royalton. This would bring the line to or near Parker's Prairie and Long Prairie.

Such a line would shorten the distance to St. Paul thirty miles, and would also "divide the pie" with the Soo line.

Why wouldn't it be a good thing for the Soo and for Little Falls to have that independent road come here? It's worth thinking about.

### J. H. Rhodes Dead.

The community was greatly surprised and shocked yesterday to learn of the death of J. H. Rhodes, for many years one of the most prominent citizens of the county. Jacob Rhodes of Swanville, a brother of the deceased, telephoned to John Wetzel yesterday morning, that Mr. Rhodes had died of typhoid fever at Eureka Springs, Ark. the afternoon before, and that the remains would be brought to Little Falls. Mr. Rhodes had been ill for some time, and Wednesday a letter was received from Mr. Rhodes, saying that her husband was dangerously ill. None of Mr. Rhodes' friends expected the sad termination.

John Henry Rhodes was born at Ithaca, N. Y., in 1846. He received a good education. In 1871 he came to Minnesota, and opened a drug store at St. Cloud. In 1877 he moved to Little Falls where he had since resided.

A biographical sketch of the deceased will be given in our next issue.

T. J. Monahan is ill with small pox and his home is quarantined. He is doing well.

Wm. Atwood has gone to Forest River, N. D., where he will be employed in a bank.

Jos. Selleck was called to Trempealeau, Wis., Saturday by news of the dangerous illness of his sister, Mrs. George McGarr.

Martin Enke was in the city Monday. His new hotel at Lunola will be completed by June 1st. This will be a great convenience for tourists.

Miss Bessie Jelley, formerly of this city, and Mr. Brereton Williams of Kansas City, will be married April 15th at Christ church, Woodlawn, Chicago.

A. J. Coutu of Brainerd, a musician well known here, has been arrested, charged with non-support of his children. Coutu has been drinking heavily for some time.

### ELK OFFICERS.

The local lodge of Elks elected officers as follows at the last meeting: Exalted Ruler—M. V. Wetzel. Esteemed Leading Knight—F. E. Cawley. Esteemed Loyal Knight—C. W. Bonck. Esteemed Lecturing Knight—Robert Carley. Secretary—Chas. Sylvester. Treasurer—P. H. Newman. Tyler—J. H. Guerin. Trustee—A. Simonet.

Delegate to Baltimore meetings—R. Snow. Alternate—H. A. Rider. The officers will be installed April 9th.

April 15th is the first anniversary of the institution of the lodge, and there will be a celebration. J. H. Guerin, S. Macho and Ed Ebert have the arrangements in charge. A dance will be given a part of the celebration.

W. R. Jones and J. F. Kennedy were initiated at the last meeting.

### Woodmen Convention.

The M. W. A. convention of Morrison county met at the Odd Fellows hall Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock. C. E. Veslay was chosen chairman, and E. M. Logan secretary. Delegates as follows were present: Cushing—Emil Carlson. Motley—M. M. Merrill, O. O. Torgerson. Lincoln—J. J. Pickett, W. E. Borlund. Randall—D. S. Cooley. Swanville—B. B. Cox, D. H. Campbell. Royalton—E. M. Logan, A. C. Bonck, F. Henck. Little Falls—W. A. Butler, W. H. Hall, G. M. A. Fortier, Carl Bolander, Wm. Crossfield, S. C. and C. E. Veslay, F. A. Nelson, G. C. Raymond, J. E. Anderson, J. A. Nelson, R. J. Stedler, C. H. Brown, E. F. Shaw, Severin Johnson.

W. H. Hall and M. M. Merrill were elected delegates to the state camp, with Wm. Crossfield and B. B. Cox for alternates.

The convention endorsed J. B. Morin of Motley for Organizer in Oregon. In the evening the visiting delegates were entertained by the local camp, a candidate being put through both degrees. Frank Benick of Royalton ably filled the chair of consul. After the ceremonies refreshments were served.

The Shakespearean Ethics club will hold its last meeting of the season April 14th.

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